

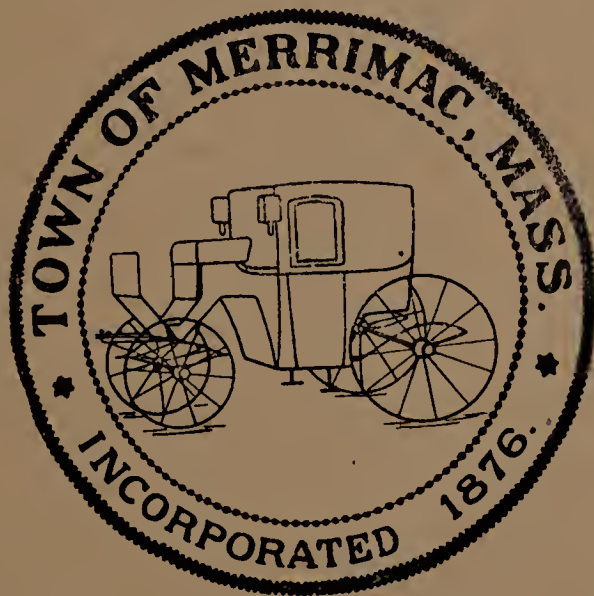
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**Directory of  
TOWN OFFICERS  
1941**

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ELECTED OFFICERS

*Moderator*

Clifford R. Howe

*Selectmen*

Ralph L. Buzzell                  Hazen M. Emery                  Arthur D. Lockwood

*Board of Public Welfare*

Hazen M. Emery                  Ellen M. Wallace                  Fred T. Hopkinson

*Assessors*

Roscoe Child .....Term expires 1943  
Clifford R. Howe .....Term expires 1942  
George B. Crofut .....Term expires 1944

*Town Clerk*

C. Howard Phillips

*Tax Collector*

Fred C. Twombly

*Town Treasurer*

Roy C. Journeay

*Municipal Light Commissioners*

John Marshall .....Term expires 1943  
Irvine G. Burbeck .....Term expires 1942  
George F. Wilde .....Term expires 1944

*Board of Water Commissioners*

John Marshall .....Term expires 1943  
Charles A. Lancaster .....Term expires 1942  
George F. Wilde .....Term expires 1944

*School Committee*

Willard T. Kelly .....	Term expires 1943
Annie L. Tucker .....	Term expires 1942
Howard DeLong .....	Term expires 1944

*Trustees of Cemeteries*

Charles L. Lancaster .....	Term expires 1943
Richard A. Sargent .....	Term expires 1942
Charles A. Lancaster .....	Term expires 1944

*Trustees of Public Library*

Alvin F. Heath .....	Term expires 1943
John B. Judkins .....	Term expires 1943
Abbie W. Sargent .....	Term expires 1942
Grace F. Gibbs .....	Term expires 1942
Isaiah Chase .....	Term expires 1944
Ethel B. Whiting .....	Term expires 1944
Chester E. Whiting .....	*Term expires 1943

*Trustees of Kimball Park*

Charles A. Lancaster .....	Term expires 1943
Herman F. Davis .....	Term expires 1942
John W. Kirkpatrick .....	Term expires 1944

*Playground Commissioners*

Arthur W. Hoyt .....	Term expires 1945
Burton C. Lafaver .....	Term expires 1944
Charles H. Bishop .....	Term expires 1943
Clayton Turner .....	Term expires 1942
William C. Rafferty .....	Term expires 1946

*Constables*

James P. Donahue	Leon L. Dow	George R. Buzzell
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*Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark*

Edson C. Walker	Ralph L. Buzzell	George R. Hoyt
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*Tree Warden*

Samuel C. Doust

\*Fill unexpired term of John B. Judkins to March '42.

## CIVIL SERVICE TENURE

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Chief of Police, James P. Donahue

## OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

*Night Watchman*

Leon L. Dow

*Special Police*

George W. Goldsmith

Clarence O. Libby

Leon C. Dow, Jr.

Harold M. Waterhouse

Alexander M. Sullivan

George R. Buzzell

Edward J. O'Keefe

Obed O. Skillings

Clayton Turner

Oran W. Burke

Ronald C. Sarasin

John A. Hutchins for Grange Hall only.

*Sworn Weighers*

George L. Sargent

Byron H. Sargent

Charles A. Follansbee

Ralph L. Buzzell

Benjamin F. Stewart

Walter P. Skillings

*Town Accountant*

W. Harold Whiting

*Fence Viewers*

Loren H. Wallace

E. Palmer Sargent

*Public Health Nurse*

Annie L. Gleed

\*Mary DeSales Flynn

*Dog Officer*

Kenneth E. Haskell

\*Fill unexpired term of Annie Gleed.

*Engineers of Fire Department*

Aaron A. Hume

Wm. C. Casazza

Charles Edw. Bridges

*Inspector of Milk, Slaughtering and Animals*

Fred H. G. Chase

*Inspector of Wires*

Dale W. Blackden

*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

John K. Sargent

*Moth Superintendent*

Samuel C. Doust

*Forest Fire Warden*

Aaron A. Hume

*Burial Agent*

James S. Schiavoni

*Superintendent of Streets*

Aaron A. Hume

*Town Forest Committee*

Russell B. Kelly .....Term expires 1943

Samuel C. Doust .....Term expires 1942

James T. Colgan .....Term expires 1944

*Registrars of Voters*

George W. Berry

A. Lawton Crane

Isaac A. Williams

C. Howard Phillips

*Janitor of Town Hall*

Andrew O. Nicol

**SELECTMEN'S REPORT**

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The sixty-sixth annual report of the Town of Merrimac is herewith presented for your consideration in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 49 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

The Board of Selectmen organized with Ralph L. Buzzell, Chairman; Hazen M. Emery, Clerk; and Arthur D. Lockwood as the third member. The Board organized as a Board of Health and Soldiers' Relief Commission with the same officers and members. Ralph L. Buzzell was appointed Co-ordinator of W.P.A. or other Federal or State relief projects for the term of one year.

The Board is very happy to state that no special meetings were held during the year to raise additional funds, the only meeting being held for the purpose of transferring balances, the vote of the meeting of July 29, 1941 not having to be used.

The following table shows the present indebtedness to be the smallest figure for several years.

## December 31, 1940

Funded debt .....	\$1,000.00	
Temporary debt .....	20,000.00	
Tax Title debt .....	21,143.64	
	<hr/>	\$42,143.64

## December 31, 1941

Temporary debt .....	\$10,000.00	
Tax Title debt .....	16,610.37	
	<hr/>	26,610.37

Reduction of debt .....	\$15,533.27
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## General Cash Balance

Jan. 1, 1941 .....	\$13,123.97
Jan. 1, 1942 .....	13,445.66



## Surplus Revenue

Jan. 1, 1941 .....	\$28,126.04
Jan. 1, 1942 .....	32,925.24
Tax Title Debt Dec. 31, 1940.....	21,143.64
Redemption payments in 1941 .....	4,533.27
Tax Title debt Dec. 31, 1941 .....	\$16,610.37
Tax Title debt secured by	
Tax Titles on property subject to redemption.....	\$25,282.04
Tax Title property wholly owned by Town.....	5,588.80
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	\$30,870.84

During the present emergency the Selectmen have been instructed to appoint a local rationing board, the members of which are the following, Chairman Ralph L. Buzzell, Clerk; James P. Flynn and Other Member, W. Harold Whiting, and also a Defense Saving Committee with Arthur D. Lockwood, Chairman.

The Board of Selectmen especially expresses its appreciation for the cooperation and work so well performed by W. Harold Whiting as Town Accountant during the past year, and also the heads of the various departments, who have so kindly helped in all ways, by working for the best interests of the Town.

We also wish to thank all the heads of various branches and all workers who have so willingly assumed their part in the present crisis, and we feel sure that during the coming year that we may all be working for the common good of the Town.

RALPH L. BUZZELL,  
HAZEN M. EMERY,  
ARTHUR D. LOCKWOOD,

*Board of Selectmen.*

## ANNUAL REPORT OF MERRIMAC BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, 1941

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The three members elected to the Board of Public Welfare met on March 10, 1941 and organized as follows:—Hazen M. Emery, Chairman; Ellen M. Wallace, Clerk and Fred T. Hopkinson third member.

Mrs. Ellen M. Wallace was designated as Local W.P.A. Certifying agent and Hazen M. Emery, Local Selecting Agent for the Civilian Conservation Corps.

As will be noted in the financial report of the Town Accountant the Town of Merrimac has a decided decrease in the request for Welfare Aid during the year 1941. A total of sixty-three families required aid as compared with one hundred and six during 1940. Also, five cases on Aid to Dependent Children. This decrease, no doubt, was brought about by improved working conditions. Due to these facts we were able to complete the year with a balance of \$1,841.05 after taking \$4,907.88 for transfer to other departments at a Special Town Meeting held Nov. 21, 1941.

The Civilian Conservation Corp is proving of great assistance both to the youth of Merrimac and to the families of those boys who have enlisted. This agency is in need of more enrollees and offer opportunities to young men between the ages of 17 to 23 to learn trades and thereby better fit them to go out and secure private employment.

The Board wishes at this time to express its appreciation to all Federal, State and local departments who have cooperated with us and helped in any way to administer adequate relief to all needy persons and at the same time safeguard the interests of the Town of Merrimac.

HAZEN M. EMERY,  
ELLEN M. WALLACE,  
FRED T. HOPKINSON,

*Board of Public Welfare.*



## REPORT OF MERRIMAC BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Old Age Assistance Board for the year 1941, namely Fred T. Hopkinson Chairman, Hazen M. Emery Clerk, and Ellen M. Wallace as the Other Member, submit the following report:

On January 1, 1941 there were 132 active cases in Merrimac, during the year 13 new cases were added. 22 cases were closed due to death or transfer. This left 123 cases remaining on the books as of Dec. 31, 1941.

The itemized account of all the receipts and expenditures appears in the Town Accountant's report.

In view of legislation during the past year, it will be necessary to ask for an increase in this years budget, as the minimum amounts that must be paid have increased.

We are very happy to state that we have been able to stay within our appropriation during this past year and hope that the relief problem in Merrimac this coming year may be lightened.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED T. HOPKINSON, *Chairman*  
HAZEN M. EMERY,  
ELLEN M. WALLACE,

*Merrimac Bureau of Old Age Assistance.*

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## REPORT OF CO-ORDINATOR OF RELIEF PROJECTS

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

Having been appointed Co-ordinator of W.P.A. or other State and Federal Relief Projects by the Board of Selectmen at their meeting of March 10, 1941, I respectfully submit the following report.

During this past year in so far as it has been possible I have obtained employment for all eligible persons so that they might work on W.P.A. Due to quota reduction it has not been possible to have certain new projects approved for some types of work. However I have been able to obtain permission to work the following projects:—

Sewing Project (Until State stopped this type of project)  
Road Construction (Farm to Market—Birch Meadow)  
Assessors Mapping Project  
Cement Sidewalks  
Road Construction (Fire Lanes at Lake Attitash)  
Commodity Distribution

At the present time I am waiting for permission to open a moth project which has been presented and which I have been told will be opened at an early date.

I have been assured that I will be able to have furnished by the Federal Government, oil for resurfacing Birch Meadow Road as soon as the weather is suitable for such work.

This past year 36,460 square feet of cement sidewalks have been constructed in what I have believed to be the most needed locations, however I hope to be able to place similar sidewalks in all locations where this need is still apparent, in this coming year, but to do this a new project must be presented as all projects of this type if drawn during or prior to 1938 were stopped by the Federal Government in Nov. 1941 as being hold over projects.

I have opened the Fire Lane project at Lake Attitash as I felt that due to the assessed value of property at the Lake being so large and their being no adequate road passable for Fire Apparatus, that this protective construction was needed.

I wish at this time to thank the different departments of the Town of Merrimac, Officials of the W.P.A. at Salem and Boston and the Department of Public Works for their help and cooperation during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH L. BUZZELL,

*W. P. A. Co-Ordinator.*

## IN MEMORIAM

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**James F. Pease**

**1857 - 1941**

Selectman of Merrimac 1920

Trustee Merrimac Public Library  
21 years, 1893 - 1913 inclusive.

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**Charles Walter Morrell**

**1860 - 1941**

Selectman of Merrimac 1931

Member Merrimac School Committee  
4 years, 1916 - 1920

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**APPROPRIATIONS MADE IN 1941**

March 4, 1941.

Gentlemen:

I submit the following list of appropriations made at the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Merrimac for the year of 1941, held March 3, 1941:—

Moderator .....	\$ 12.00
Selectmen, Chairman .....	450.00
Selectmen, Clerk .....	125.00
Selectmen, Other .....	100.00
Selectmen's Departmental Expenses .....	400.00
Board of Public Welfare, Chairman .....	200.00
Board of Public Welfare, Clerk .....	200.00
Board of Public Welfare, Other .....	100.00
Town Accountant, Salary .....	1,300.00
Town Accountant, Expenses .....	125.00
Treasurer, Salary .....	450.00
Treasurer, Expenses .....	800.00
Tax Collector, Salary .....	800.00
Tax Collector, Expenses .....	600.00
Assessors, Chairman .....	275.00
Assessors, other two, each \$187.50 .....	375.00
Assessors, Expenses .....	175.00
Town Clerk, Salary .....	225.00
Town Clerk, Expenses .....	50.00
Registrars of Voters .....	112.50
Town Hall Maintenance .....	1,000.00
Town Hall, Janitor, Salary .....	240.00
Town Hall Repairs .....	400.00
Bonding Town Officers .....	310.00
Election Officers .....	120.00
Police .....	3,450.00
Fire Engineers .....	300.00
Fire Department .....	2,700.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, Salary .....	90.00



Sealer of Weights and Measures, Expenses .....	40.00
Inspector of Wiring .....	90.00
Inspector of Wiring, Expenses .....	5.00
Dog Officer, to cover Fees .....	100.00
Moth Department .....	950.00
Tree Warden .....	350.00
Town Forest .....	500.00
Forest Fire Warden .....	150.00
Board of Health .....	1,250.00
Public Health Nurse and Expense .....	1,200.00
Inspector of Animals .....	100.00
Inspector of Slaughtering .....	20.00
Inspector of Milk .....	20.00
Essex County T. B. Hospital .....	775.34
Highways and Chapter 81 .....	4,650.00
Snow and Washouts .....	2,000.00
Sidewalks, Railings and Bridges .....	100.00
Rocks Bridge .....	1,125.00
Street Lights .....	3,352.40
State Aid .....	120.00
Public Welfare .....	17,500.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	3,600.00
Aid to Dependent Children and Mothers Aid .....	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance .....	25,000.00
School Committee, Chairman .....	50.00
School Committee, Clerk .....	75.00
School Committee, Other member .....	50.00
School Department .....	29,500.00
Public Library .....	1,000.00
Memorial Day .....	150.00
Vocational Aid .....	300.00
Lighting Town Buildings .....	513.54
Insurance .....	2,300.00
Reserve Fund .....	500.00
Interest .....	500.00
Cemeteries .....	1,000.00
Municipal Loan Note .....	1,000.00
Vital Statistics .....	75.00

Water in Town Buildings .....	340.00
Printing Town Reports .....	248.04

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\$118,583.82

Coordinator WPA .....	Art. # 6	\$ 400.00
WPA .....	Art. # 7	6,000.00
Playground .....	Art. #11	150.00
Oiling .....	Art. #12	500.00
Chapter 90, Roads .....	Art. #15	500.00
Thickly Settled Streets .....	Art. #16	500.00
Rent Bill .....	Art. #19	48.00
Board of Registrars (Expense Chapter 427)....	Art. #21	250.00
Fire Hose .....	Art. #25	700.00

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Total.....\$127,631.82

## REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:—

As Chief of the Police Department of the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit the annual report of the Department for the year 1941

There were 37 automobile accidents reported, in which 26 persons were injured, of the injured 14 were passengers, 8 pedestrians and 4 operators.

### *Miscellaneous Business*

Automobiles stolen and recovered here .....	3
Assistance to other Police Departments .....	14
Assistance to Medical Examiner .....	5
Complaints investigated .....	368
Doors and windows found open and secured .....	27
Days at District Court (Chief) .....	89

Days at Superior Court (Chief) .....	5
Days at District Court (Patrolman) .....	5
Days at Superior Court (Patrolman) .....	2
Disturbance suppressed without arrest .....	16
Defects in sidewalks and streets reported .....	5
Escorts furnished processions .....	4
Injured and sick persons assisted .....	16
Lights furnished dangerous places .....	4
Fires discovered, no alarm rang .....	2
Lost and runaway children returned to parents .....	4
Messages delivered .....	67
Number of assignments of officers .....	268
Witness Subpoenas served .....	9
Wires down and reported .....	2
Lights burning in buildings and reported to owners.....	24

*Number of Arrests for the Year*

Male .....	95
Female .....	6
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Total.....	101
Resident .....	33
Non-resident .....	68

*Charged as follows*

Assault and Battery .....	2
Drunkenness .....	25
Disturbance of the Peace .....	4
Delinquent Children .....	7
Larceny .....	5
Law of the Road .....	1
Malicious injury to property .....	2
Non-support .....	3
Neglect of Children .....	1
Operating motor vehicle under influence of liquor.....	2
Operating motor vehicle without authority .....	1
Operating motor vehicle to endanger .....	4



Safekeeping .....	2
Violation of Probation .....	10
Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws .....	31
Violation of Lottery Law .....	1

*Disposed of as follows*

5	Continued.
2	Dismissed.
5	Not Guilty.
9	Released.
9	Guilty, Filed.
18	Received suspended sentences and Probation.
6	For other Police Departments.
41	Fined a total of \$635.00.
4	Committed to Institutions.
2	Appealed.

At Superior Court, the sentence of the District Court was imposed on the Appeal cases.

I desire to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, His Honor Judge Charles I. Pettingell, the Associate Justices, Clerk of the District Court, the Probation Officer, the Officers of the Department, Chief of the Fire Department, Superintendent of the Light and Water Department, and the citizens of the Town for their kindly cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. DONAHUE,

*Chief of Police.*

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of the Town of Merrimac

The following is my report for the year 1941:

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Con-demned
Platform, over 10,000 lbs. ....	....	2	1	....
Platform, 100 to 5000 lbs. ....	1	15	....	....
Counter, 100 to 5000 lbs. ....	....	1	....	....
Counter, under 100 lbs. ....	....	10	....	....
Beam, 100 to 5000 lbs. ....	....	1	....	....
Spring, 100 to 5000 lbs. ....	....	1	1	....
Computing, under 100 lbs. ....	1	7	....	....
Prescription .....	....	1	....	....
Spring, under 100 lbs. ....	1	19	....	....
Apothecary .....	....	6	....	....
Liquid Measure .....	....	7	....	....
Oil Jars .....	....	2	....	....
Tank truck meter systems .....	....	3	....	....
Gasoline meter systems .....	5	26	5	....
Yard Sticks .....	....	2	....	....
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Totals .....	8	103	7	....

### *Trial Weighing and Measuring of Commodities Sold or Put Up For Sale.*

Commodity	Number Tested	Number Correct	Incorrect Under	Incorrect Over
Bread .....	21	9	4	8
Butter .....	5	5	....	....
Dry Commodities .....	7	....	....	7
Flour .....	5	....	5	....
Lard .....	2	2	....	....
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Total.....	40	16	9	15

*Inspections Made*

Peddlers' Licenses.....	7	Ice Scales .....	2
Marking of: Bread .....	21	Junk Scales .....	2
Food Pkgs. ....	19	Oil Jars .....	2
Peddlers' Scales .....	4		

*Expenditures*

Salary .....	\$90.00
Transportation .....	4.55
Supplies .....	11.13

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Total..... \$105.68

Appropriation ..... \$130.00

Unexpended balance .. 24.32

*Receipts*

Sealing Fees .....	\$33.15
Adjusting charges .....	.55

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Total..... \$33.70

I wish to thank all who in any way assisted me in the performance of my duties.

JOHN K. SARGENT,

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

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## MERRIMAC FIRE ALARM

Emergency fire alarm telephone number 2211.

Emergency phone 2211 should be used for fire calls only. If for any reason line is out of order, dial operator and ask for EMERGENCY OPERATOR.

In all cases give your name and location of fire.

3-3 Chief's Call.

4 Mass. N. E. Bus Garage, East Main St.

5 Merrimac Square.

12 Locust St., opposite Green St.

13 J. B. Judkins Co., Main St.

14 Main St., near residence of William H. Franklin.

15 Birch Meadow Rd. and Main St., to Merrimac-Haverhill line.

16 Woodland and Grove Sts.

- 17 School and Pleasant Sts.
- 18 School and Mill Sts.
- 21 East Main St. Bear Hill Rd., to Merrimac-Amesbury line.
- 23 East Main St. near store of Leo Noone.
- 24 Church St. opposite Maple St.
- 25 Liberty and Mechanic Sts.
- 26 Summer and Prospect Sts.
- 27 Church St. near residence of Chas. H. Staples.
- 28 Sawyer and Nichols Sts.
- 31 Pleasant St., Merrimacport.
- 32 Merrimac St., near residence of George H. Whitcomb.
- 34 Merrimac St., Merrimacport.
- 35 High St., near William S. Tuckwell Foundry.
- 36 Merrimac and Broad Sts., Merrimacport.
- 41 Lake Attitash Park.
- 51 Locust and Walnut Sts.
- 52 Lower Locust St. Haverhill-Merrimac line.
- 62 Birch Meadow Rd. and Hadley District. Telephone. No box.
- 71 Bear Hill Rd., Newton, N. H. Line. Telephone. No box.
- 72 West Shore Lake Attitash.
- 2 Recall—all out—also All Clear Air Raid.

*No School Signals*

- 7:15 A. M. 11-11-long pause-1. No school in grades only.
- 7:15 A. M. 11-11-11. No school in High and Grade Schools.
- 11:20 A. M. Same-signals. One session.
- 12:30 P. M. Same signals. No school in afternoon.
- Police Call 1-1-1.
- Boy Scouts—10 blasts.
- Air Raid 7-7-7

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**REPORT OF BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Fire Engineers submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1941.

Number of alarms .....	81
Fire Loss .....	\$683.35



There are at present twenty-five regular men and eight substitutes in the department.

We recommend that the sum of \$3,500.00 be appropriated for the salaries and general maintenance of the department.

Respectfully submitted,

AARON A. HUME,  
C. EDWARD BRIDGES,  
WILLIAM CASAZZA,

*Board of Engineers.*

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## **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE'S REPORT FOR 1941**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Public Health Nurse's Report from April 1, 1941 to January 1, 1942 is as follows:

	Cases	Visits Made
Maternity .....	5	33
Cancer .....	2	19
Shock .....	3	50
Breast Abscess .....	1	4
Pneumonia .....	1	3
Surgical Dressings .....	3	42
Varicose Ulcer Dressings .....	1	50
Dressings to Wounds .....	1	46
Tuberculosis .....	15	27
Diabetes .....	3	91
Heart Trouble .....	4	176
Back Injury .....	1	14
Hardening of Arteries .....	1	42
Malnutrition .....	1	16
Packed Rectum .....	4	4
Chronics .....	3	104

Gall Stone Attack .....	3	28
Hypodermic Injections .....	3	8
Impetigo .....	2	4
Pre-School Children .....	2	17
Streptococcus Throat Infection .....	1	6
Tonsilitis .....	1	1
Arthritis .....	3	29
Prolapse of Rectum .....	1	4
Uric Acid Poisoning .....	1	11
Angina Pectoris .....	1	76
Douches .....	1	5
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Number off Calls Made .....		910

I have traveled 1541 miles at a cost of 5c per mile.....	\$ 77.05
I have turned over to the Town Treasurer.....	120.50

Respectfully submitted,

MARY DE SALES FLYNN, R. N.,

*Public Health Nurse.*

## **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE'S REPORT FOR 1941**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Merrimac.

The Public Health Nurse's Report from Jan. 1, 1941 to Apr.  
1, 1941 is as follows:

	Cases	Visits made
Maternity .....	4	28
Heart .....	2	45
T. B. ....	5	86
Chronic .....	1	21
Cancer .....	2	4
Diabetic .....	4	51
Thelin .....	2	24

Shock .....	1	35
Arterial sclerosis .....	2	17
Grippe .....	5	8
Gall stone attack .....	3	6
Old Age .....	3	42
Itch .....	1	2
Appendicitis .....	1	2
Accident .....	1	1
Child Welfare .....	1	3
Back injury .....	1	6
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	39	381

Trip to Middleton with patient .....	1
Trips to Haverhill with patients .....	2
Trips to Haverhill for teeth.....	3

I have traveled 683 miles at 5c per mile.....	\$34.15
I have turned over to the Town Treasurer as fees collected .....	44.00

Respectfully yours,

ANNIE L. GLEED,

*Public Health Nurse.*

## REPORT OF JANITOR OF TOWN HALL

As Janitor of the Town Hall for the year 1941, I respectfully submit the following report:

Openings for the year 1941

Basketball practices .....	64
Basketball games .....	8
Snow Ball .....	1
Entertainment and Circus .....	1
Baseball Picture .....	1



Puppet Show .....	1
Junior Prom .....	1
Decoration Day all schools .....	1
Centre School, pictures .....	1
Radio Shows .....	4
Town Election .....	1
Town Caucus .....	1
Booths and Rails .....	2
Junior High Play .....	1
Special Town Meetings .....	2
Red Cross and Defense meetings .....	19
Legion Auxiliary .....	1
U.S.O. Dance .....	1
Garden Club .....	1
Lectures .....	2
High School Dances .....	4
Dancing School Recital and Practice .....	1
Firemen's Xmas Party .....	1
Community Hallowe'en .....	1
Junior High Graduation .....	1
High School Graduation .....	1
High School Reception .....	1
Legion Dance .....	1
Mary Chilton Group .....	1

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 126

Total received for openings.....	\$257.00
Services as Janitor .....	240.00
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	\$497.00

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW O. NICOL,

*Janitor.*

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MILK, ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I have made the following calls and inspections and issued the following licenses in the past year.

Milk licenses issued .....	16
Oleomargarine licenses issued .....	2

Respectfully submitted,

FRED H. G. CHASE,

*Inspector of Milk*

*Inspector of Animals*

*Inspector of Slaughtering.*

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## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

We hereby submit a report of the developments in the department during the year of 1941.

During the year we were able to improve several hundred feet of the roads in "Locust Grove" by covering with black asphalt, and covering some of the roads in Church Street cemetery with gravel, with money obtained from the sale of lots in Locust Grove cemetery.

With the available funds of only \$550.00 for the appropriation for the care of the cemeteries with careful management we have been able to keep the cemeteries in very good condition, but without the help of the money expended for one hundred and sixty-eight Perpetual Care lots we fear our cemeteries would not be a credit to the Town. There are many Perpetual Care lots with only one hundred dollars deposited for their care to give us enough money for the care of these lots, thus making it

necessary to draw from the Town appropriation to finish the work which we do not consider we should be obliged to take from a fund badly needed.

With an exceptionally large number of 42 burials the past year we would recommend the purchase of a Lowering Device at an expense of two hundred and fifty-five dollars which would pay back to the Town seven dollars each time it was used.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. SARGENT,  
CHARLES A. LANCASTER,  
CHARLES L. LANCASTER.

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### JURY LIST

The following July List for the calendar year beginning July 1, 1941 was prepared by the Merrimac Selectmen in compliance with Chapter 234, Section 4 of the General Laws, and adopted June 30, 1941.

Harvey A. Anderson, Maple St., Mailman.  
Lawrence M. Calnan, Summer St., Service Station Prop.  
William W. Carter, East Main St., Stock Clerk.  
John F. Coster, Mill St., Painter.  
W. Philip Gilmore, East Main St., Meat Cutter.  
Merrill Q. Goldsmith, Nichols St., Dairyman.  
Lothrop J. Grant, School St., Clerk.  
George R. Hoyt, Birch Meadow Rd., Farmer.  
Thomas M. Lennard, Pleasant St., Metal Worker.  
Moses B. Merrill, Prospect St., WPA Worker.  
Harry A. Morgan, Locust Grove Ave., Wood Worker.  
Carroll C. Riley, Birch Meadow Rd., Dairyman.  
Guy E. Sheldon, Pine St., Janitor.  
John T. Shepard, Ridgefield Rd., Shoe Worker.  
William F. Streeter, Vendome St., Bus Driver.  
George L. Trefethen, West Main St., Counter Moulder.

Harold M. Waterhouse, Bear Hill Rd., Dairyman.  
 Richard F. Amazeen, School St., Truck Driver.  
 Theodore R. Chase, Church St., Foreman.  
 Gaynel C. Frost, Belmore Rd., Salesman.  
 Wendell T. Harvey, Pleasant St. (Port), Collector.  
 Leigh P. Allen, Mill St., Wood Heel Worker.  
 George J. Barry, East Main St., Clerk  
 Franklin W. Sheldon, Sawyer St., Bus Driver.  
 J. Frank Brady, Summer St., Upholsterer.  
 A. Burleigh Sawyer, School St., Cook.  
 J. Arthur Ollis, East Main St., Bus Driver.  
 William B. Pendleton, Prospect Hill, Salesman.  
 Claud A. Speed, Pine St., Retired.  
 Carl M. Ordway, Church St., Clerk.  
 Carroll W. Osgood, East Main St., Bus Driver.  
 Chester A. Carter, Pleasant St. (Port), WPA Worker.  
 Charles E. Morse, Church St., Farmer.  
 Perley H. Hargraves, West Main St., Gas Station Mgr.

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Citizens of Merrimac:

The Board of Assessors submit the following report for the year 1941.

### *Recapitulation*

Town Appropriations .....	\$138,540.72
Overlay Deficit .....	794.02
State Tax .....	4,950.00
State Parks and Reservations .....	92.89
State Audit Tax .....	43.37
County Tax .....	3,139.12
T. B. Hospital .....	775.34
Overlay for 1941 .....	3,504.90
	<hr/> \$151,840.36



*Estimated Receipts*

Income Tax .....	\$9,531.61
Corporation Tax .....	2,570.81
Highway fund .....	4,098.46
Motor Vehicle Tax .....	5,590.18
Licenses .....	1,643.50
Fines .....	104.80
Special assessments .....	68.72
General Government .....	692.00
Protection of Persons and Property.....	109.13
Health and Sanitation .....	520.57
Charities .....	5,704.28
Old Age assistance .....	15,298.49
Soldiers Benefits .....	54.00
Schools .....	4,650.24
Library .....	99.56
Interest on taxes .....	1,472.96
Veterans Exemptions .....	105.11
Overestimates .....	5.74
Available funds .....	18,550.18
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Total estimated .....	\$70,870.34
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Net amounts to be raised .....	\$80,970.02

836 Polls at \$2.00 .....	\$1,672.00
Personal Property \$114,970.00 @ \$46.00..	5,288.62
Real Estate \$1,608,900.00 @ \$46.00 .....	74,009.40
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	\$80,970.02

*Table of Aggregates*

Value of real estate .....	\$1,608,900.00
Value of personal property .....	114,970.00
Value of automobiles .....	204,500.00
Tax on automobiles .....	6,369.21
Number of automobiles .....	872
Number of horses .....	35
Number of cows .....	201

Number of fowl .....	1,490
Number of other neat cattle .....	26
Value of stock in trade .....	33,050.00
Value of machinery .....	50,200.00
Value of Live Stock .....	15,570.00
Value other tangible property .....	16,150.00

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. CROFUT,  
CLIFFORD R. HOWE,  
ROSCOE CHILD,

*Assessors.*

## REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

1941

### *Real Estate*

#### *Dr.*

Tax Warrant .....	\$74,009.40	
Reimbursement .....	3.22	
		<hr/> \$74,012.62

#### *Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$39,250.21	
Tax title addings .....	605.82	
By abatements .....	1,529.76	
By uncollected .....	32,626.83	
		<hr/> \$74,012.62

1941

### *Personal*

#### *Dr.*

Tax Warrant .....	\$5,288.62
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#### *Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$3,574.82	
By abatement .....	4.60	
By uncollected .....	1,709.20	
		<hr/> \$5,288.62

1941

*Poll**Dr.*

Tax Warrant .....	\$1,672.00
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$740.00	
By abatement .....	148.00	
By uncollected .....	784.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,672.00

1941

*Excise**Dr.*

Tax Warrant .....	\$6,322.38	
By reimbursement .....	157.77	
	<hr/>	\$6,480.15

*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$5,277.32	
By abatements .....	239.09	
By uncollected .....	963.74	
	<hr/>	\$6,480.15

1941

*Moth**Dr.*

Tax Warrant .....	\$86.32
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$41.55	
By Tax Title .....	.55	
By uncollected .....	44.22	
	<hr/>	\$86.32



1940

*Real Estate**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$35,944.38	
By Reimbursements .....	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$35,969.38

*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$14,353.34	
Tax title addings .....	4,413.00	
By abatements .....	391.75	
By uncollected .....	16,811.29	
	<hr/>	\$35,969.38

1940

*Personal**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$1,919.00
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$455.00	
By uncollected .....	1,464.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,919.00

1940

*Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$622.00
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$108.00	
By uncollected .....	514.00	
	<hr/>	\$622.00

1940

*Excise**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$493.69	
By reimbursements .....	62.56	
	<hr/>	\$556.25

*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$263.29	
By abatements .....	7.04	
By uncollected .....	285.92	
	<hr/>	\$556.25

1940

*Moth**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$27.80
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$14.25	
Tax title .....	.50	
By uncollected .....	13.05	
	<hr/>	\$27.80

1939

*Real and Personal**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$17,801.80	
Abated in excess .....	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$17,826.80

*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$13,066.03	
Tax titles .....	947.78	
By abatement .....	513.33	
By uncollected .....	3,299.66	
	<hr/>	\$17,826.80

1939

*Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$482.00
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$ 16.00	
By abatement .....	130.00	
By uncollected .....	336.00	
	<hr/>	\$482.00

1939

*Excise**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$ 74.24
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1939

*Moth**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$9.09
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$5.65	
By tax title .....	.20	
By uncollected .....	3.24	
	<hr/>	\$9.09

1938

*Real and Personal**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$2,291.05
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$764.47	
By abatement .....	522.44	
By uncollected .....	1,004.14	
	<hr/>	\$2,291.05

1938

*Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$450.00
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$8.00
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By uncollected .....	442.00
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1938

*Excise**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$110.42
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1938

*Moth**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$1.05
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	1.30
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1937

*Real and Personal**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$548.25
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*Cr.*

By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$19.15
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By abatement .....	35.25
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By uncollected .....	493.85
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 \$548.25

1937

*Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$212.00
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*Cr.*

By abatement .....	\$ 68.00
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By uncollected .....	144.00
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1937

*Moth**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$ 4.65
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1937

*Excise**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$290.65
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1936

*Real and Personal**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$247.30
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*Cr.*

By abatement .....	\$17.85
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By uncollected .....	229.45
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 \$247.30

1936

*Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$24.00
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*Cr.*

By abatement .....	\$ 6.00	
By uncollected .....	18.00	
	<hr/>	\$24.00

1936

*Moth**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$11.90
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1936

*Excise**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$133.83
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1935

*Real, Personal and Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$62.28
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1934

*Real, Personal and Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$17.78
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1933

*Real, Personal and Poll**Dr.*

By uncollected .....	\$15.55
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FRED C. TWOMBLEY,

*Collector of Taxes.*

**REPORT OF TOWN CLERK**

January 31, 1942.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Merrimac, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As Town Clerk of the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit  
the annual report for the year 1941:—

*Births*

Number of Births recorded .....	31
Males .....	14
Females .....	17
Father, Native Born .....	27
Mother, Native Born .....	31
Father and Mother, both Native Born .....	27
Father and Mother, both Foreign Born .....	0
Mixed Parentage .....	4

*Marriages*

Number of Marriages recorded .....	52
First Marriage of Groom .....	45
First Marriage of Bride .....	41
Grooms, Native Born .....	50
Brides, Native Born .....	48
Grooms, Foreign Born .....	2
Brides, Foreign Born .....	4
Average Age of Groom .....	28 years, 6 months, 0 days
Average Age of Bride .....	26 years, 0 months, 14 days

*Deaths*

Number of Deaths recorded .....	24
Males .....	14
Females .....	10
Under 5 Years .....	3
Males, Native Born .....	14

Females, Native Born .....	8
Males, Foreign Born .....	0
Females, Foreign Born .....	2
Of Native Parentage .....	12
Of Mixed Parentage .....	4
Average Age .....	60 years, 11 Months, 0 days
Oldest Person .....	85 years, 0 months, 6 days

### *Licenses*

Number of Dogs Licensed .....	86
Males .....	77
Females .....	9
Sporting Licenses Issued .....	144
Minors Sporting Licenses Issued .....	23

Respectfully submitted,

C. HOWARD PHILLIPS,

*Town Clerk.*

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## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

To the Citizens of Merrimac:

The balances, receipts and disbursements for the year 1941 were as follows:

Balances January 1, 1941.....	\$13,123.97
Receipts to January 1, 1942.....	256,740.96
	—————\$269,864.93
Payments on Warrants .....	\$256,419.27
Balance January 1, 1942 .....	13,445.66
	—————\$269,864.93

Respectfully submitted,

ROY C. JOURNEAY,

*Town Treasurer.*

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

The Municipal Light Board herein submit their thirty-eighth Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1941.

Nine services have been added during the year, making a total of 986 lighting services and 15 power services now installed.

### *Estimate of Expense*

Gross Expense of Operating .....	\$31,000.00	
Depreciation (3% on \$81,285.41).....	2,438.56	
		\$33,438.56

### *Estimated Income*

From Private Consumers .....	\$33,500.00	
From Municipal Buildings .....	411.79	
From Street Lights .....	3,499.85	
		\$37,411.64

### *Cost of Constructions*

Substation Equipment .....	\$650.00	
Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors..	45,922.73	
Meters .....	9,004.76	
Transformers .....	17,777.09	
Street Lighting Equipment .....	5,191.25	
Transportation Equipment .....	2,739.58	
		\$81,285.41

### *Expended for Constructions*

Construction and Materials .....	\$3,132.36	
Meters .....	317.09	
Transformers .....	861.61	
		\$4,311.06

*Expended for Operating Expenses*

Electric Energy Purchased .....	\$21,719.47	
Station Wages .....	728.00	
Station Rent .....	350.00	
Meter and Transformer Operation .....	27.38	
Maintenance and Operation of Transmis- sion and Distribution Lines .....	2,724.33	
Maintenance of Meters and Transformers	61.20	
Operation & Maintenance of Street Lights	112.90	
Commercial Salaries and Expenses .....	461.92	
Salaries of Municipal Light Board and Manager .....	1,293.48	
Office Salary .....	1,144.00	
General Office Supplies and Expenses .....	610.04	
Insurance .....	170.74	
Transportation Expense .....	214.23	
Miscellaneous General Expense .....	69.86	
	<hr/>	\$29,687.55
Total Expended for Construction and Maintenance		\$33,998.61
To Depreciation Fund .....	\$951.99	
Consumers Deposits Returned .....	215.00	
Returned to Town .....	3,865.94	
	<hr/>	\$5,032.93
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		\$39,031.54

*Balance Sheet*

Construction and Operating Fund	
January 1, 1941 .....	\$8,329.29
Consumers Deposit Fund Jan. 1, 1941.....	700.00
Depreciation Fund Jan. 1, 1941 .....	21,736.40
Received from Light and Power Sales .....	34,532.99
Received from Miscellaneous Sales.....	1,322.88
Received from Town Appropriations .....	3,865.94
Interest Income .....	451.07
Consumers Deposits .....	295.00
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	\$71,233.57



Construction Materials and Renewals .....	\$4,311.06
Maintenance and Operating Expense .....	29,687.55
Consumers Deposits Returned .....	215.00
Returned to Town .....	3,865.94
Depreciation Fund, Jan. 1, 1942 .....	23,139.46
Construction and Operating Fund, Jan. 1, 1942 .....	9,234.56
Consumers Deposit Fund, Jan. 1, 1942.....	780.00
	<hr/> \$71,233.57

Municipal Light Board,

IRVINE G. BURBECK,  
JOHN MARSHALL,  
GEORGE F. WILDE.

## REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Report of the Town Forest Committee ending Jan. 1, 1942.

Five Hundred Dollars was appropriated for use of the Town Forest Committee.

For pruning, burning brush and cutting out wood for welfare use at

Pumping Station .....	\$215.00
Mowing Fire Lanes, 20 acres .....	105.00
Cutting out Brush, pruning, 40 acres.....	175.00
Davis Hardware Co., pruning shears.....	5.00
	<hr/> \$500.00

The pruning and burning of brush at the pumping station has eliminated all danger of fire in that area which is important in war times. There were 40 acres of Pine which were so overgrown with weedy growth that in some places the pines could not be

seen, this has been cleaned out and a good growth can now be expected. We were able to cut out a lot of fuel wood for use of the Welfare and with what we have on hand we hope to have enough for Welfare needs for the coming year.

JAMES T. COLGAN,  
RUSSELL B. KELLY,  
SAMUEL C. DOUST,

*Town Forest Committee.*

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## ANNUAL REPORT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Water Commissioners herein submit their thirty-eighth Annual Report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1941.

Seven services were installed during the year, making a total of 682 active services.

### *Estimates for the Ensuing Year*

Gross Expense of Operating .....	\$10,500.00
Constructions .....	5,000.00
	<hr/> \$15,500.00

### *Estimated Income*

Water Rates .....	\$11,500.00
Miscellaneous Income .....	1,000.00
	<hr/> \$12,500.00

### *Expended for Constructions and Maintenance*

Maintenance and Repairs .....	\$2,290.75
Power and Fuel .....	4,519.99
Station Supplies and Expenses .....	116.67
Station Wages .....	1,306.00
Salary Superintendent and Commissioners	869.68
Office Salary .....	520.00
Office Expense .....	383.25

Truck Expense .....	221.25	
Insurance .....	170.80	
Miscellaneous .....	29.41	
	<hr/>	\$10,427.80

Total Expended for Construction and Maintenance.. \$10,427.80

*Monthly Report of Pumping Station*

	Gallons Pumped	Hours Pumped
January .....	4,410,000	134
February .....	3,900,000	118
March .....	4,310,000	131
April .....	4,580,000	137
May .....	5,420,000	159
June .....	8,980,000	250
July .....	10,100,000	296
August .....	8,240,000	254
September .....	7,560,000	245
October .....	6,440,000	214
November .....	5,830,000	195
December .....	5,900,000	199
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Total Gallons .....	75,670,000	

*Balance Sheet*

General Cash Balance, Jan. 1, 1941.....	\$3,010.34	
Water Rates Collected .....	11,240.64	
Miscellaneous Income .....	749.11	
	<hr/>	\$15,000.09
Expended for Constructions and Main- tenance .....	\$10,427.80	
General Cash Balance, Jan. 1, 1942 .....	4,572.29	
	<hr/>	\$15,000.09

Board of Water Commissioners,

CHAS. A. LANCASTER,  
JOHN MARSHALL,  
GEORGE F. WILDE.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF KIMBALL PARK

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

As Trustees of Kimball Park, we submit the following report:

### *Active Account*

#### *Received:*

Cash on hand January 1, 1941 .....	None	
From Weed Fund .....	\$40.00	
From Kimball Fund .....	21.80	
	<hr/>	\$61.80

#### *Expended:*

Labor, care of grounds .....	\$60.00	
Sharpening tools .....	1.80	
	<hr/>	\$61.80

### *Trust Funds*

Balance Weed Fund, Jan. 1, 1941.....	\$2,002.27	
Balance Kimball Fund, Jan. 1, 1942.....	1,070.10	
Interest Weed Fund, 1941.....	40.24	
Interest Kimball Fund, 1941.....	21.50	
	<hr/>	\$3,134.11

Withdrawn, Weed Fund .....	\$40.00	
Withdrawn, Kimball Fund .....	21.80	
Balance, Weed Fund, Jan. 1, 1942.....	2,002.51	
Balance, Kimball Fund, Jan. 1, 1942.....	1,069.80	
	<hr/>	\$3,134.11

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. A. LANCASTER,  
HERMAN F. DAVIS,  
JOHN W. KIRKPATRICK,

*Trustees Kimball Park.*



## REPORT OF THE MERRIMAC PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

Your Playground Commission makes its report for the fiscal year 1941-1942.

The past year saw many of the children and grown-ups enjoying themselves at the Playground. In the fall a skating rink was built, due the mild weather, and lack of frost, it has been almost impossible to flood the whole area. However, a good attendance of children have been enjoying themselves every afternoon.

Being on new ground, it settled at the South end of the rink, making it lower at this point. We have had flood lights installed, and we can look forward to another year, when we can give the children a real program of outdoor activities.

We feel that even though considerable money has been spent in the past on the playground, that it is so near completion, that, a six or seven weeks W.P.A. project would give us a finished playing field. In view of such a small expenditure being necessary it seems too bad to have all the past work and money thrown away and not have this work completed, and it is heartily desired that this may be accomplished in the year 1942.

We wish to thank the Light and Water Board, for their cooperation, and also the Fire Department for their services. Also Mr. Ralph Buzzell for the bull-dozer which was used at the playground.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. RAFFERTY,  
CHARLES H. BISHOP,  
BURTON C. LAFAVER,  
CLAYTON K. TURNER,

*Merrimac Playground Commission*

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF WIRES

To the Selectmen and the citizens of the Town of Merrimac,  
I herein submit my report for the year 1941.

Resident wire inspections .....	47
Factory inspection .....	1
New service inspections .....	9
Inspection of Entrance changes .....	14
Assisting Light Dept. Manager upon his complaint	3

Respectfully submitted,

DALE W. BLACKDEN,

*Inspector of Wires.*

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## REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Merrimac:

I hereby report that I have caught, confined and disposed of the number of dogs listed below, during the past year.

*Males:*

January 14, 1941 .....	\$4.00
February 10, 1941 .....	4.00
February 12, 1941 .....	1.00
February 15, 1941 .....	4.00
February 28, 1941 .....	1.00
March 11, 1941 .....	4.00
March 19, 1941 .....	4.00
April 8, 1941 .....	4.00
May 14, 1941 .....	4.00
July 5, 1941 .....	4.00
July 28, 1941 .....	4.00
Oct. 5, 1941 .....	4.00
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	\$42.00

*Females:*

January 8, 1941 .....	\$3.00	
January 20, 1941 .....	4.00	
February 8, 1941 .....	4.00	
February 25, 1941 .....	4.00	
March 27, 1941 .....	4.00	
March 31, 1941 .....	4.00	
May 2, 1941 .....	4.00	
June 12, 1941 .....	4.00	
June 17, 1941 .....	4.00	
August 13, 1941 .....	4.00	
September 2, 1941 .....	4.00	
November 9, 1941 .....	4.00	
November 17, 1941 .....	1.00	
		\$48.00
Total amount .....		\$90.00

I returned two dogs to their owners and found a home for one dog.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH HASKELL,

*Dog Officer.*

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF MERRIMAC PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Trustees of the Merrimac Public Library present the sixty-fifth annual report of its condition and affairs for the year ending December 31, 1941.

The total number of books borrowed for home use during the year was 14,941 of which 1,002 was non-fiction and 1,773 juvenile. The monthly deliveries were as follows:

January	1388	July	1153
February	1307	August	1264

March	1455	September	1183
April	1248	October	1370
May	1172	November	1209
June	1051	December	1141

Fines collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer amounted to \$104.23.

The financial report is included in the report of the Town Accountant and needs no repetition here.

The number of volumes added to the Library during the year was 666, of which 293 were by purchase and 373 by gift. The large donations by Mrs. John B. Judkins and Mrs. George Walker are, among others, gratefully received and acknowledged.

The story-telling hour which was sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association in 1940 was continued this past year. A total of 267 school children from the first six grades attended, and again your trustees wish to express the appreciation of splendid cooperation and valuable assistance given by the several story tellers.

In October your Trustees accepted with regret the resignation of John B. Judkins who for 19 years had served faithfully and well as a member of the Board of Trustees. At a joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and Trustees of the Library, Chester E. Whiting was elected to serve as a trustee until the annual town meeting in March.

Your trustees recommend that \$1,000 be appropriated for the year 1942.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVIN F. HEATH,  
ABBIE W. SARGENT,  
ISAIAH CHASE,  
GRACE F. GIBBS,  
CHESTER E. WHITING,  
ETHEL B. WHITING,

*Trustees of the Public Library.*



REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby present the Annual Report of the Town Accountant in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 60, of the General Laws, I have also presented all such financial matters as may be of general interest.

I express herewith my appreciation of the co-operation and courteous assistance rendered by you and all the other Town Officials in complying with the requirements of our system.

Respectfully submitted,

W. HAROLD WHITING,

*Town Accountant.*

RECEIPTS—GENERAL

*Taxes:*

*Current Year—*

Poll, Personal, Real Estate \$43,565.03

*Previous Years—*

1940 Poll, Personal,, Real  
Estate ..... 14,916.34

1939 Poll, Personal, Real  
Estate ..... 13,082.03

1938 Poll, Personal, Real  
Estate ..... 772.47

1937 Poll, Personal, Real  
Estate ..... 19.15

————— \$72,355.02

*From Commonwealth:*

*Special State Taxes—*

Veterans Exemptions ..... \$94.57

Corporation Tax ..... 2,757.20

Income Tax No. 1.....	3,625.00	
Income Tax No. 2.....	4,765.80	
	<hr/>	\$11,242.57
Tax Titles Redeemed .....	\$1,791.21	
Sale of Tax Titles Possessions	2,723.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,514.21
Total from Taxes .....		\$88,111.80

*Licenses and Permits:*

Liquor .....	\$1,475.25	
All other .....	155.25	
	<hr/>	\$1,630.50

*Fines and Forfeits:*

Court Fines .....	\$157.20	
	<hr/>	\$157.20

*Grants and Gifts:*

State Mass. School Fund....	\$3,583.30	
Dog licenses .....	150.24	
	<hr/>	\$3,733.54

Total from Licenses and permits, Fines and Forfeits and Grants and Gifts.....		\$5,521.24
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*Privileges—*

Motor Excise 1941 .....	\$5,277.32	
Motor Excise 1940 .....	263.29	
Motor Excise 1936 .....	10.67	
	<hr/>	\$5,551.28

*Special Assessments—*

Moth 1941.....	\$41.55	
Moth 1940 .....	14.25	
Moth 1939.....	5.65	
Moth 1938.....	1.30	
	<hr/>	\$62.75

Total from Privileges and Special Assessments .....	\$5,614.03
Total Receipts from General Revenue.....	\$99,247.07

## RECEIPTS—COMMERCIAL REVENUE

*General Government:*

Rent of Hall .....	\$72.00	
Rent of Offices .....	668.00	
	<hr/>	\$740.00

*Protection of Persons and Property:*

Comm. of Mass. Junk .....	\$16.00	
Div. of Livestock .....	50.00	
Sealers' Fees .....	34.96	
	<hr/>	\$100.96

*Board of Health:*

Comm. of Mass. T. B. Sub.	\$261.43	
Health Nurse Fees .....	164.50	
	<hr/>	\$425.93

*Highways:*

Town hire Road Machinery	\$1,149.40	
Highway Loan Ch.90-1941	1,000.00	
Highway Ch. 90 reimburse- ment .....	999.89	
Sale of Junk .....	10.00	
Highway Ch. 81 reimburse- ment .....	778.31	
Highway Ch. 81 reimburse- ment for 1941 .....	4,523.90	
Highway Loan Ch. 81-1941	4,650.00	
Comm. of Mass. Ch. 420— Acts of 1941 .....	4,218.45	
	<hr/>	\$17,329.95

*Charities:*

State ADC or Mothers Aid	\$609.13	
U. S. Grant to ADC or Mothers' Aid .....	776.00	
U. S. Grant to ADC Admx..	24.52	
	<hr/>	\$1,409.65

Cities and Towns Tempor- ary Aid .....	\$2,683.83	
State Temporary Aid .....	4,031.68	
Indigent Persons .....	198.00	
Individuals Temporary Aid	125.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,038.51

State Old Age Assistance....	\$20,508.36	
Cities and Towns Old Age..	472.19	
Individuals Old Age .....	105.00	
Old Age U. S. Grant .....	21,077.30	
Old Age Admx U. S. Grant..	711.93	
	<hr/>	\$42,874.78

*Public Library:*

Fines .....	\$104.23	
Trust Funds .....	800.00	
Sale of Magazines .....	15.40	
	<hr/>	\$919.63

*Kimball Park:*

Trust Funds .....	\$61.80	
	<hr/>	\$61.80

*Cemeteries:*

Sale of lots .....	\$250.00	
Trust funds perpetual care..	1,397.44	
	<hr/>	\$1,647.44

*Public Service Enterprises:**Light and Water Department—**Light—*

Consumers Deposits .....	\$295.00	
Street Lighting .....	3,352.40	
Sale of Light .....	24,976.03	
Sale of Power .....	10,070.50	
Miscellaneous sales .....	1,322.88	
	<hr/>	\$40,016.81

*Water—*

Meter Rates .....	\$11,240.64	
Miscellaneous sales .....	749.11	
	<hr/>	\$11,989.75

*Interest:*

Taxes 1941 .....	\$21.13	
Taxes 1940 .....	298.76	
Taxes 1939 .....	467.58	
Taxes 1938 .....	47.40	
Taxes 1937 .....	5.79	
Taxes 1936 .....	2.56	
Releases .....	9.00	
Int., costs, Tax Titles .....	289.89	
	<hr/>	\$1,142.11

*Schools:*

Wm. Welch Mfg. Co. ....	\$3.38	
Toll Calls .....	3.25	
Tuition State Wards .....	78.00	
Supt. Small Schools .....	483.34	
Other Tuition .....	284.90	
S. Rundlett Co. ....	28.66	
Vocational .....	6.60	
	<hr/>	\$888.13

Total Commercial Revenue .....\$126,585.45



## NON-REVENUE AND MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

Temporary Loans .....	\$30,000.00
Excess Tax Title Loans	
Interest .....	195.43
Tel. Co. Easement .....	1.00
Telephone reimbursements .....	.25
Dog Fees, Town Clerk .....	180.00
Rent Tax Title Possessions.....	288.00
New Eng. Road Machine Co...	5.00
Sewing Machine Sale .....	5.00
Sale of Wood .....	8.00
Fire Loss Public Library.....	150.00
Calnan Motor Sales .....	38.92
Graff Bros. ....	4.27
First National Stores .....	1.57
J. Haley .....	1.00
Court Refunds .....	13.00
Tailings redeposited .....	17.00

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Total Non-Revenue and Miscellaneous \$30,908.44

Total from General Revenue, Commercial Revenue and Non-Revenue and Miscellaneous.....	\$256,740.96
Cash Balance January 1, 1941.....	13,123.97
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	\$269,864.93

## EXPENDITURES—GENERAL GOVERNMENT

*Legislative:*

Moderator, Salary .....	\$12.00	
	<hr/>	\$12.00

*Selectmen's Department*

Chairman .....	\$450.00
Clerk .....	125.00
Other Member .....	100.00

## TOWN OF MERRIMAC

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Printing and postage .....	228.80	
Transportation .....	28.60	
Other Expense .....	11.77	
	<hr/>	\$944.17

*Welfare Department:*

Chairman .....	\$200.00	
Clerk .....	200.00	
Other Member .....	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$500.00

*Treasurer's Department:*

Salary .....	\$450.00	
Foreclosures, Deeds .....	304.05	
Cert. of notes .....	20.00	
Postage and checks .....	174.41	
Other expenses .....	35.61	
	<hr/>	\$984.07

*Town Clerk:*

Salary .....	\$225.00	
Printing and postage .....	44.15	
	<hr/>	\$269.15

*Assessor's Department:*

Salaries .....	\$650.00	
Printing and postage .....	79.45	
Transportation .....	10.00	
Other expenses .....	85.52	
	<hr/>	\$824.97

*Old Age Assistance Bureau:*

Chairman .....	\$200.00	
Clerk .....	300.00	
Other Member .....	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$600.00

*W. P. A. Co-Ordinator:*

Salary .....	\$400.00	
	<hr/>	\$400.00

*Accounting Department:*

Salary .....	\$1,300.00	
Printing and postage .....	53.85	
Forms .....	55.15	
Transportation .....	11.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,420.00

*Registrars:*

Salary .....	\$112.50	
	<hr/>	\$112.50

*Collector's Department:*

Salary 1934 .....	\$ .66	
Salary 1935 .....	.66	
Salary 1936 .....	.79	
Salary 1937 .....	.84	
Salary 1938 .....	8.21	
Salary 1939 .....	135.55	
Salary 1940 .....	154.91	
Salary 1941 .....	489.07	
Printing and postage .....	338.69	
	<hr/>	\$1,129.38

*Election Officers:*

Salary .....	\$112.00	
	<hr/>	\$112.00

*Board of Registrars Expenses:*

Forms .....	\$ 24.35	
Labor .....	151.76	
	<hr/>	\$176.11

*Bonding Town Officers:*

Treasurer .....	\$93.75	
Deputy Collector .....	5.00	
Town Clerk .....	5.00	
Tax Collector .....	150.00	
Water and Light Coll. ....	50.00	
Water and Light Mgr. ....	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$308.75

*Town Hall Repairs:*

Repairs .....	\$330.65	
	<hr/>	\$330.65

*Town Hall Maintenance:*

Janitor, Salary .....	\$240.00	
Janitor, Openings .....	257.00	
Telephone .....	150.51	
Fuel .....	486.99	
Light .....	48.61	
Janitor's Supplies .....	50.40	
Water .....	11.00	
Inside repairs and awning..	100.18	
Repair Clock .....	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,354.69

Total for General Government..... \$9,478.44

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

*Police:*

Salary of Chief .....	\$1,470.00	
Salary of Night Patrol .....	1,260.00	
Special Officers .....	294.80	
Transportation .....	241.65	
Telephone .....	109.54	
Other Expenses .....	73.44	
	<hr/>	\$3,449.43

*Fire Department:*

Stewards .....	\$110.00	
Supt. of Alarms .....	100.00	
Call Men .....	1,950.00	
Motor Expenses .....	188.61	
Fuel .....	378.36	
Postage .....	2.85	
Lights .....	5.75	
Telephone .....	118.66	
Boxes .....	6.34	
Repairs .....	78.00	
Helmets .....	96.60	
Special Labor .....	8.00	
Other Expense .....	3.84	
	<hr/>	\$3,047.01

*Fire Engineers:*

Salary .....	\$300.00	
	<hr/>	\$300.00

*Purchase of Hose:*

New Hose .....	\$700.00	
	<hr/>	\$700.00

*Moth Department:*

Salary Supt. ....	\$386.10	
Labor .....	417.00	
Horse hire .....	90.00	
Equipment and Supplies ....	60.87	
	<hr/>	\$953.97

*Sealer of Weights and Measures:*

Salary .....	\$ 90.00	
Transportation .....	4.55	
Supplies .....	11.13	
	<hr/>	\$105.68



*Inspector of Wiring:*

Salary .....	\$ 90.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 90.00

*Dog Officer:*

Fees .....	\$ 90.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 90.00

*Tree Warden:*

Salary Warden .....	\$233.55	
Labor .....	105.50	
Equipment .....	11.45	
	<hr/>	\$350.50

*Town Forest:*

Labor .....	\$485.42	
Horse Hire .....	7.50	
Equipment .....	6.39	
	<hr/>	\$499.31

*Forest Warden:*

Labor .....	\$119.00	
Chemical and Soda .....	28.69	
	<hr/>	\$147.69

Total for Protection of Persons and Property.... \$9,733.59

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

*Inspector of Animals:*

Salary .....	\$100.00	
	<hr/>	\$100.00

*Inspector of Milk:*

Salary .....	\$ 20.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 20.00

*Inspector of Slaughtering:*

Salary .....	\$ 20.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 20.00

*Essex County T. B. Hospital:  
Tuberculosis—*

Board and care and Main- tenance assessment .....	\$775.34	
	<hr/>	\$775.34

*Board of Health:*

Care of patients, Sanatorium	\$545.10	
Care Mill St. Dump .....	156.00	
Cat and Dog burials .....	13.00	
Bubbler .....	6.00	
Rabbies vaccine .....	4.15	
Polution treatment .....	13.00	
Medical aid .....	153.72	
	<hr/>	\$890.97

*Health Nurse:*

Salaries .....	\$960.00	
Motor Expenses .....	111.20	
	<hr/>	\$1,071.20

Total for Health and Sanitation.....	\$2,877.51
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## HIGHWAYS

*Highway and Chapter 81:*

Salary of Supt. ....	\$610.50
Truck Driver .....	242.13
Laborers .....	2,674.55
Roller and Loader .....	683.00
Material and Supplies .....	3,243.19
Equipment and repairs .....	65.73
Truck Hire .....	779.50

Town Truck .....	860.45	
Town Tractor .....	98.00	
Hone and Grader .....	42.95	
	<hr/>	\$9,300.00

*Oiling Roads:*

Road Material .....	\$499.93	
	<hr/>	\$499.93

*Highway Chapter 90:*

Salary Supt. ....	\$ 69.60	
Truck Driver .....	28.50	
Laborers .....	297.00	
Trucks .....	83.00	
Town Truck .....	94.05	
Material and Supplies .....	879.69	
Roller .....	48.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,499.84

*Thickly Settled Roads:*

Salary Supt. ....	\$152.70	
Laborers .....	225.15	
Paint .....	8.84	
Material and Supplies .....	25.66	
Telephone .....	34.37	
Town Truck .....	36.00	
Tractor and Grader .....	17.20	
	<hr/>	\$499.92

*Highway Ch. 498 Acts of 1938:*

Labor .....	\$9.00	
Sand .....	4.92	
	<hr/>	\$ 13.92

*Snow and Washouts:*

Salary Supt. ....	\$237.60	
Laborers .....	921.50	

Tractor Driver .....	15.60	
Horse hire .....	240.25	
Parts for plow .....	21.00	
Plowing .....	353.25	
Sand .....	14.30	
Fuel .....	33.58	
Truck .....	4.50	
Tools .....	10.40	
	<hr/>	\$1,851.98

*Rocks Bridge:*

Assessment for maintenance	\$535.25	
	<hr/>	\$535.25

*Street Lighting:*

Bill for 1940 .....	\$3,352.40	
	<hr/>	\$3,352.40

*Sidewalks, Railings and Bridges:*

Wages .....	\$ 97.40	
Material .....	2.47	
	<hr/>	\$ 99.87

*Road Machinery:*

Repairs for plow .....	\$ 49.50
Gasoline and Oil .....	417.44
Parts for plow .....	131.76
Repairs for Sander .....	2.65
Tires .....	232.98
Express .....	5.50
Repairs for Trucks .....	258.05
Shoes for plow .....	15.09
Repairs for Drag .....	22.88
Sharpening Tools .....	10.55
Materials and Tools .....	5.28
Repairs for Grader .....	1.50
Sidewalk Plow .....	150.00

Plow .....	490.00	
Repairs for Tractor .....	94.95	
		<hr/> \$1,888.13

Total for Highways ..... \$19,541.24

### CHARITIES

#### *Public Welfare:*

Other Cities and Towns.....	\$395.41	
Clothing .....	156.02	
Rent .....	1,438.00	
Fuel .....	996.21	
Groceries and provisions ...	4,767.88	
Board and Care .....	997.00	
Cash payments .....	466.50	
Other aid .....	61.73	
Haverhill Infirmary .....	30.50	
Mass. General Hospital .....	13.75	
Pondville Hospital .....	57.50	
Benson Hospital .....	72.00	
Amesbury Hospital .....	625.85	
Medical Aid and Medicine..	672.72	
		<hr/> \$10,751.07

#### *Old Age Assistance:*

Cash Payments .....	\$21,053.00	
Clothing .....	3.25	
Other Cities and Towns .....	532.41	
Burials .....	400.00	
Medical Aid and Medicine ..	2,992.64	
Other Aid .....	6.75	
		<hr/> \$24,988.05

#### *A.D.C. U. S. Grant:*

Cash Payments .....	\$581.94	
Fuel .....	12.50	
Medical Aid .....	29.25	
		<hr/> \$623.69



*A.D.C. Admx. U. S. Grant:*

Postage .....	\$ .41	
	<hr/>	\$ .41

*Old Age Admx. U. S. Grant:*

Postage and Printing .....	\$ 22.88	
Supervisory Visiting .....	120.00	
	<hr/>	\$142.88

*Old Age U. S. Grant:*

Cash Payments .....	\$17,747.00	
Medical and Medicine .....	2,599.82	
Other Cities and Towns .....	167.25	
Burial .....	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$20,614.07

*Soldiers' Relief:*

Cash Payments .....	\$858.00	
Clothing .....	10.86	
Fuel .....	265.55	
Groceries and Provisions ....	1,310.41	
Rent .....	498.00	
Medical and Medicine .....	208.50	
Transportation .....	4.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,155.32

*Mothers' Aid:*

Cash Payments .....	\$1,541.82	
Fuel .....	31.50	
Medical and Medicine .....	133.90	
	<hr/>	\$1,707.22

Total for Charities .....	<hr/>	\$61,982.71
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## SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

*School Committee:*

Chairman .....	\$ 50.00	
Clerk .....	75.00	
Other Member .....	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$175.00

*School Department:*

Total expended in 1941 itemized in detail in School Report, classified as per State requirements	\$29,674.01	
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*Vocational Aid:*

Bills for Tuition .....	\$145.83	
	<hr/>	\$145.83

*Public Library:*

Librarian .....	\$500.00	
Care of Grounds .....	147.70	
Books and Periodicals .....	567.38	
Fuel and Light .....	233.25	
Other Expenses .....	26.65	
	<hr/>	\$1,474.98

Total for Schools and Library..... \$31,469.82

## RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

*Legal Expenses—Suit of Edith Munroe:*

Legal Fees .....	\$ 25.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 25.00

*Expenses Local Defense Committee:*

Transportation .....	\$15.00	
Materials .....	28.67	
	<hr/>	\$43.67

*Lighting Town Buildings:*

Bill for 1940 .....	\$513.54	
	<hr/>	\$513.54

*Memorial Day:*

Paint and Brush .....	\$ .51	
Marker and Flags .....	16.49	
Band .....	115.00	
Truck Hire .....	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$142.00

*W. P. A. or Other Federal or State Relief Projects:**Commodity Distribution—*

Office Supplies .....	\$ 10.98	
Bags and Cartons .....	168.19	
Rent .....	144.00	
Trucking .....	301.25	
Light .....	9.01	
Fuel .....	65.25	
Sup. Labor .....	41.00	
Contribution to U. S. Govt.	291.65	
	<hr/>	\$1,031.33

*Sewing Unit—*

Supplies .....	\$190.25	
Contribution to U. S. Govt.	570.00	
Trucking .....	7.50	
Rent .....	144.00	
Light .....	13.84	
Sup. Labor .....	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$945.59

*Lake Attitash Fire Lane—*

Gas and Oil .....	\$ 60.21	
Tractor .....	68.95	

Sharpening Tools .....	5.55
Material .....	21.09
Surveying and Blueprinting	75.00
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	\$230.80

*Farm to Market—*

Sharpening Tools .....	\$118.45
Materials .....	301.71
Trucks and Driver .....	1,685.39
Gas and Oil .....	488.24
First Aid .....	6.17
Air compressor .....	48.00
Storage machinery .....	3.50
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	\$2,651.46

*Moth—*

Cresote .....	\$ 33.15
Labor .....	146.30
Gas .....	75.60
First Aid .....	1.71
Blueprints .....	15.00
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	\$271.76

*Assessors Mapping—*

Fuel .....	\$177.00
Light .....	24.18
Gasoline .....	143.00
Labor .....	97.00
First Aid .....	.89
Material .....	286.04
Postage .....	4.00
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	\$732.11

*Cement Sidewalks—*

First Aid .....	\$ 6.48
Lumber and Cement .....	1,832.25
Gas and Oil .....	38.20
Truck hire and mixer .....	1,340.50
Material .....	218.86
Tools .....	15.20
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	\$3,451.49

*Playground—*

Bulldozer .....	\$ 24.00
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	\$ 24.00

*Soldiers' Graves—*

Materials .....	\$ 14.15
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	\$ 14.15

*Administrative—*

Surveying .....	\$ 18.98
Postage .....	1.34
Transportation .....	38.70
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	\$59.02

Total W. P. A. ....	\$9,411.71
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*Insurance—*

Plates .....	\$ 16.00
Workman Comp. ....	474.64
Blanket .....	722.09
Plate Glass .....	8.04
Collector .....	32.50
Boiler and Pumper .....	404.75
Tractor and Trucks .....	197.83
Fire Trucks .....	15.88
Accident .....	243.75
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	\$2,115.48



*Interest:*

Highway Ch. 90 .....	\$ 15.38	
Tax Titles .....	203.18	
Revenue Loans .....	45.05	
Highway Ch. 81 .....	13.38	
	<hr/>	\$276.99

*Municipal Loan Note:*

Payment of Note .....	\$1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,000.00

*Vital Statistics:*

Fees .....	\$ 88.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 88.00

*Water in Town Buildings:*

Bill to Town .....	\$340.00	
	<hr/>	\$340.00

*Printing Town Reports:*

Bill for 1940 .....	\$248.04	
	<hr/>	\$248.04

*Playground:*

Project preparation .....	\$ 25.00	
Cutting grass .....	11.75	
Labor .....	68.75	
Lumber .....	20.93	
Lawn mowers, materials .....	22.55	
	<hr/>	\$148.98

*Rent Bill S. C. Weiner:*

Bill for Rent .....	\$ 48.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 48.00

*Kimball Park:*

Labor .....	\$ 60.00	
Sharpening Tools .....	1.80	
	<hr/>	\$ 61.80

Total for Recreation and Unclassified..... \$14,463.21

## ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

*Public Service Enterprises:*

Light .....	\$34,950.60	
Water .....	10,427.80	
Consumers Deposits .....	215.00	
	<hr/>	\$45,593.40

*Cemeteries:*

Labor .....	\$1,098.52	
Express .....	3.55	
Equipment .....	114.61	
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*Improvement and Embellishment of Cemeteries:*

Dressing .....	\$ 5.00	
Asphalt .....	74.85	
Plants .....	46.05	
Equipment .....	5.50	
Labor .....	157.70	
	<hr/>	\$289.10

Total for Enterprises and Cemeteries..... \$47,099.18

## OTHER PAYMENTS

Library Trust Funds .....	\$325.00
Cemetery Trust Funds .....	730.00
Real Estate Reimbursements	
1940 .....	25.00
Real Estate Reimbursements	,
1941 .....	3.22
Excise 1940 Reimbursements..	32.61
Excise 1941 Reimbursements..	157.77
Highway Ch. 90 Note.....	860.00
Highway Ch. 81 Note .....	4,650.00
Revenue Loans .....	40,000.00

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County Tax .....	3,194.00
State Tax .....	5,082.70
Dog Fees .....	180.00
State Treasurer Tax Titles .....	4,533.27
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	\$59,773.57

Total Expenditures Revenue and Non-Revenue.....\$256,419.27

Cash Balance, December 31, 1941.....	13,445.66
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	\$269,864.93

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS

	Appropriations	Balance	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Moderator .....	\$12.00					\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	
Selectmen .....	1,075.00					1,075.00	944.17	130.83
Public Welfare .....	500.00					500.00	500.00	
Town Accountant .....	1,425.00					1,425.00	1,420.00	5.00
Treasurer .....	1,250.00					1,250.00	984.07	265.93
Tax Collector, 1941 .....	1,400.00					1,400.00	827.76	572.24
Assessors .....	825.00					825.00	824.97	.03
Town Clerk .....	275.00					275.00	269.15	5.85
Registrars of Voters .....	112.50					112.50	112.50	
Town Hall Maintenance .....	1,240.00		\$150.00			1,390.00	1,354.69	35.31
Town Hall Repairs .....	400.00					400.00	330.65	69.35
Bonding Town Officers .....	310.00					310.00	308.75	1.25
Election Officers .....	120.00					120.00	112.00	8.00
Police .....	3,450.00					3,450.00	3,449.43	.57
Fire Engineers .....	300.00					300.00	300.00	
Fire Department .....	2,700.00		350.00			3,050.00	3,047.01	2.99
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	130.00					130.00	105.68	24.32
Inspector of Wiring .....	95.00					95.00	90.00	5.00
Dog Officer (to cover fees) .....	100.00					100.00	90.00	10.00

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS—(Continued)

	Appropriations	Balance	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Moth Department .....	950.00				4.27	954.27	953.97	.30
Tree Warden .....	350.00		.50			350.50	350.50	
Town Forest .....	500.00			.50		499.50	499.31	.19
Forest Fire Warden ... ..	150.00					150.00	147.69	2.31
Board of Health ... ..	1,250.00					1,250.00	890.97	359.03
Public Health Nurse and Expense ...	1,200.00					1,200.00	1,071.20	128.80
Inspector of Animals ... ..	100.00					100.00	100.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering .....	20.00					20.00	20.00	
Inspector of Milk .. ..	20.00					20.00	20.00	
Essex County T. B. Hospital .....	775.34					775.34	775.34	
Highways and Chapter 81 .....	4,650.00				4,650.00	9,300.00	9,300.00	
Snow and Washouts .....	2,000.00		1,000.00			3,000.00	1,851.98	1,148.02
Sidewalks, Railings and Bridges .....	100.00					100.00	99.87	.13
Rocks Bridge .. ..	1,125.00					1,125.00	535.25	589.75
Street Lights .....	3,352.40					3,352.40	3,352.40	
State Aid ... ..	120.00					120.00		120.00
Public Welfare ... ..	17,500.00			4,907.88		12,592.12	10,751.07	1,841.05
Soldiers' Relief .....	3,600.00					3,600.00	3,155.32	444.68
A.D.C. and Mothers' Aid .....	2,500.00					2,500.00	1,707.22	792.78



TABLE OF ACCOUNTS—(Continued)

	Appropriations	Balance	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Old Age Assistance .....	25,000.00					25,000.00	24,988.05	11.95
School Committee .....	175.00					175.00	175.00	
School Department .....	29,500.00				178.90	29,678.90	29,674.01	4.89
Public Library .....	1,000.00				475.00	1,475.00	1,474.98	.02
Memorial Day .....	150.00					150.00	142.00	8.00
Vocational Aid .....	300.00					300.00	145.83	154.17
Lighting Town Buildings .....	513.54					513.54	513.54	
Insurance .....	2,300.00					2,300.00	2,115.48	184.52
Reserve Fund .....	500.00			413.00		87.00		87.00
Interest .....	500.00					500.00	276.99	223.01
Cemeteries .....	1,000.00				217.44	1,217.44	1,216.68	.76
Municipal Loan Note .....	1,000.00					1,000.00	1,000.00	
Vital Statistics .....	75.00		13.00			88.00	88.00	
Water in Town Buildings .....	340.00					340.00	340.00	
Printing Town Reports .....	248.04					248.04	248.04	
W.P.A. Co-Ordinator .....	400.00	69.33				469.33	400.00	69.33
W.P.A. .....	6,000.00	3,829.02	2,748.24			12,577.26	9,411.71	3,165.55
Playground .....	150.00					150.00	148.98	1.02
Oiling Roads .....	500.00					500.00	499.93	.07

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS—(Concluded)

	Appropria- tions	Balance	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Highway Chapter 90 .....	500.00				1,000.00	1,500.00	1,499.84	.16
Thickly Settled Streets .....	500.00					500.00	499.92	.08
Rent Bill S. C. Weiner .....	48.00					48.00	48.00	
Registrars Expense (Ch. 427) .....	250.00					250.00	176.11	73.89
Fire Hose .....	700.00					700.00	700.00	
	\$127,631.82	\$3,898.35	\$4,261.74	\$5,321.38	\$6,525.61	\$136,996.14	\$126,448.01	\$10,548.13

## OTHER PAYMENTS NOT APPROPRIATED

	Balance Dec. 31 1940	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Taxes 1940 .. . . . .				\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	
Taxes 1941 .. . . . .				3.22	3.22	3.22	
Excise 1940 .. . . . .				32.61	32.61	32.61	
Excise 1941 .. . . . .				157.77	157.77	157.77	
State Aid, Highway .. . . . .				5,510.00	5,510.00	5,510.00	
Revenue Loans .. . . . .				40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	
Consumers' Deposits .. . . . .	\$ 700.00			295.00	995.00	215.00	\$780.00
County Tax .. . . . .				3,194.00	3,194.00	3,194.00	
State Tax .. . . . .				5,082.70	5,082.70	5,082.70	
Dog Fees .. . . . .				180.00	180.00	180.00	
Reserved for Payment Tax Title .. . . . .				4,533.27	4,533.27	4,533.27	
Tax Collector, 1934 .. . . . .				.66	.66	.66	
Tax Collector, 1935 .. . . . .				.66	.66	.66	
Tax Collector, 1936 .. . . . .				.79	.79	.79	
Tax Collector, 1937 .. . . . .				.84	.84	.84	
Tax Collector, 1938 .. . . . .				8.21	8.21	8.21	
Tax Collector, 1939 .. . . . .				135.55	135.55	135.55	
Tax Collector, 1940 .. . . . .				154.91	154.91	154.91	
Ch. 498 Acts 1938 .. . . . .	14.35				14.35	13.92	.43

## OTHER PAYMENTS NOT APPROPRIATED—(Concluded)

	Balance Dec. 31 1940	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Maintenance Road Machinery .....				38.92	1,917.80	1,888.13	29.67
A.D.C. U. S. Grant .....	152.02	\$1,878.88		776.00	928.02	623.69	304.33
A.D.C. Admx. U. S. Grant .....	47.83			24.52	72.35	.41	71.94
Old Age Admx. U. S. Grant .....	523.26			711.93	1,235.19	742.88	492.31
Old Age U. S. Grant .....	1,127.25			21,077.30	22,204.55	20,614.07	1,590.48
Legal Expense, E. Munroe Suit .....		50.00			50.00	25.00	25.00
Expense, Local Defense .....		250.00			250.00	43.67	206.33
Trust Funds in Transit .....				1,055.00	1,055.00	1,055.00	
Kimball Park .....				61.80	61.80	61.80	
Light Maintenance .....	8,329.29		3,865.94	39,721.81	44,185.16	34,950.60	9,234.56
Water Maintenance .....	3,010.34			11,989.75	15,000.09	10,427.80	4,572.29
Imp. and Emb. Cemeteries .....				290.00	290.00	289.10	.90
	\$145,434.51	\$6,440.62	\$9,187.32	\$141,587.83	\$284,275.64	\$256,419.27	\$27,856.37

## RECAPITULATION

Appropriations .....	\$127,631.82	
Accounts Balances .....	17,802.69	
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	\$145,434.51	
Transferred to Accounts:		
To Vital Statistics .....	\$13.00	From Reserve Fund
To W. P. A. ....	2,500.00	From Welfare
To W. P. A. ....	248.24	From W. P. A. Special Accounts Balances
To Town Hall Maintenance .....	150.00	From Welfare
To Fire Department .....	350.00	From Welfare
To Tree Warden .....	.50	From Town Forest
To Snow and Washouts .....	1,000.00	From Welfare
To Maintenance of Road Machinery .....	907.88	From Welfare
To Legal Fees, Suit of Edith Munroe .....	50.00	From Reserve Fund
To Expense Local Defense Committee .....	250.00	From Reserve Fund
To Road Machinery .....	100.00	From Reserve Fund
To Road Machinery .....	871.00	From Road Machinery
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	\$151,875.13	



RECAPITULATION—(Concluded)

Transferred from Accounts:			
From Reserve Fund .....	\$413.00		To Accounts Above
From Town Forest .....	.50		To Tree Warden
From Welfare .....	4,907.88		To Accounts Above
From Light Maintenance .....	3,865.94		To Revenue
	<hr/>	\$9,187.32	
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		142,687.81	
Refunds and Receipts .....		141,587.83	
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		\$284,275.64	
Payments .....		256,419.27	
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Balances Dec. 31, 1941 .....		27,856.37	

## FINAL BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1941

<i>Assets</i>		<i>Liabilities</i>	
Cash Balance .....	\$ 13,445.66	Temporary Loans .....	\$10,000.00
Cash—Light Depreciation Fund .....	23,139.46		
Taxes 1930 .....	5.77	Revenue reserved until collected:	
Taxes 1931 .....	.50	Excise .....	1,910.99
Taxes 1933 .....	15.55	Moth .....	78.31
Taxes 1934 .....	17.78	Departmental .....	3,147.51
Taxes 1935 .....	62.28	Tax Titles .....	30,870.84
Taxes 1936 Poll .....	18.00	Excess and Deficiency .....	32,925.24
Taxes 1936 Personal and Real Estate .....	229.45	Light .....	379.07
Taxes 1937 Poll .....	144.00	Water Liens .....	99.00
Taxes 1937 Personal and Real Estate .....	493.85	Water .....	381.84
Taxes 1938 Poll .....	442.00	Other Balances:	
Taxes 1938 Personal and Real Estate .....	1,004.14	Old Age due State .....	43.00
Taxes 1939 Poll .....	336.00	Sale of lots 1941 .....	250.00
Taxes 1939 Personal and Real Estate .....	3,299.66	Bond Premium .....	3.00
Taxes 1940 Poll .....	514.00	Consumers Deposits .....	780.00
Taxes 1940 Personal .....	1,464.00	Fire Loss Public Library .....	150.00
Taxes 1940 Real Estate .....	16,811.29	State Aid to Highway Reimbursements .....	5,523.72
Taxes 1941 Poll .....	784.00	State Tax due from State .....	10.00
Taxes 1941 Personal .....	1,709.20	Overlay 1934 .....	2.00
Taxes 1941 Real Estate .....	32,626.83	Overlay 1935 .....	5.80
Moth 1931 .....	1.50	Overlay 1940 .....	660.85
Moth 1936 .....	11.90	Overlay 1941 .....	1,822.54

FINAL BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1941—(Continued)

Moth 1937	4.65	Overlay 1933	28.33
Moth 1939	3.24	Old Age Taxes 1933	1.00
Moth 1940	13.05	Overlay surplus	92.94
Moth 1941	44.22	State Tax	3.56
Excise 1931	4.97	Moth 1938	.25
Excise 1932	.80	Tax Collector 1933	.45
Excise 1933	2.62	Tax Collector 1934	20.01
Excise 1934	5.36	Tax Collector 1935	52.95
Excise 1935	49.11	Tax Collector 1936	38.78
Excise 1936	123.16	Tax Collector 1937	117.20
Excise 1937	290.65	Tax Collector 1938	129.61
Excise 1938	110.42	Tax Collector 1939	164.30
Excise 1939	74.24	Tax Collector 1940	371.54
Excise 1940	285.92	Tax Collector 1941	572.24
Excise 1941	963.74	WPA Co-Ordinator	69.33
Overlay 1936	23.85	Ch. 498 Acts of 1938	.43
Overlay 1937	33.74	Main St. Ch. 90	163.86
Overlay 1938	522.44	Road Machinery	1,149.02
Overlay 1939	618.33	Aid to Dependent Children U. S. Grant	304.33
Health Acc. Rec.	275.67	Aid to Dependent Children Admx. U. S. Grant	71.94
Welfare Acc. Rec.	2,670.41	Old Age Admx. U. S. Grant	492.31
Old Age Acc. Rec.	201.43	Old Age U. S. Grant	1,590.48
Tax Titles	25,282.04	Legal Expenses Suit of Edith Munroe	25.00
Tax Titles Possessions	5,588.80	Expenses Local National Defense Comm.	206.33



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Cash in Custody of Town Treasurer .....	\$ 55,778.97	
Library Funds .....		\$ 2,034.71
Thos H. Hoyt Funds .....		22,724.21
Kimball Park Funds .....		3,072.31
Cemetery Perpetual Care .....		27,947.74
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	\$ 55778.97	\$ 55778.97

Net Debt		
Temporary Loans . . . . .	\$ 5,650.00	Ch. 90 State Highway Reimbursement . . . . . \$ 1,000.00
		Ch. 81 State Highway Reimbursement . . . . . 4,650.00
Fixed Debt . . . . .	\$ 5,650.00	Tax Titles . . . . . \$ 5,650.00
	\$ 16,610.37	Tax Titles . . . . . \$ 710.37
		Tax Titles . . . . . 5,000.00
		Tax Titles . . . . . 4,000.00
		Tax Titles . . . . . 2,400.00
		Tax Titles . . . . . 4,500.00
	\$ 16,610.37	\$ 16,610.37



## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
M. E. Sargent Fund .....	\$100.00	\$114.94	\$2.31	\$3.00	\$114.25
Eliza M. Sawyer—Thos. Sawyer lot.....	114.00	115.15	2.31	2.00	115.46
Emily S. Goodwin—Patten Sargent lot .....	250.00	300.24	6.03	4.00	302.27
John L. and Sophia Merrill .....	200.00	231.71	4.65	8.38	227.98
Moses Goodrich .....	100.00	101.80	2.03	2.50	101.33
W. A. Paine—Henry Sargent lot .....	50.00	51.40	1.02	2.00	50.42
J. E. Prescott .....	200.00	211.02	4.24	6.00	209.26
Rhoda S. Poore—Daniel Poore lot .....	400.00	402.97	8.09	8.55	402.51
Rhoda S. Poore—Frederick Sargent lot .....	200.00	292.30	5.87	11.75	286.42
Otis W. Little .....	200.00	265.09	5.32	10.00	260.41
Susan G. Sargent—Westerly half J. B. Sargent lot.....	75.00	86.40	1.73	3.50	84.63
Henriette B. Sargent—Wm. P. Colby lot .....	250.00	364.41	7.32	10.38	361.35
Caroline S. Noyes—Somerby Noyes lot .....	100.00	101.76	2.03	3.00	100.79
Adeline Whittier .....	100.00	103.61	2.07	3.00	102.68
Warren Sargent .....	100.00	101.97	2.03	3.00	101.00
Ruth Rowell—Jacob Rowell and Chas. Dow lot.....	200.00	297.90	5.97	8.53	295.34
Sarah Pattee—Asa Ford and Sarah Pattee lot.....	175.00	201.42	4.04	9.88	195.58
Sarah Pattee—Wm. Gunnison lot.....	125.00	125.68	2.51	3.00	125.19
I. B. Little .....	337.87	356.26	7.15	10.25	353.16
John Bancroft .....	50.00	51.05	1.02	1.50	50.57
Aaron Bancroft .....	50.00	50.62	1.01	1.00	50.63

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Thomas D. Nelson .....	150.00	152.52	3.06	4.50	151.08
Mabel Shepardson—Isaac Jones lot .....	100.00	101.52	2.03	3.00	100.55
Henry E. Crosby .....	125.00	125.00	2.51	2.51	125.00
A. Linda Little .....	150.00	180.17	3.61	6.00	177.78
Etta H. Colby .....	100.00	100.63	2.01	2.00	100.64
Mrs. Gilman Hoyt .....	100.00	107.02	2.15	3.00	106.17
Phineas Chase .....	100.00	101.02	2.03	3.00	100.05
Charles A. Bridges .....	100.00	101.20	2.03	3.00	100.23
Louis Clement—John S. Clement lot .....	100.00	132.23	2.65	4.63	130.25
Carrie C. Noyes .....	150.00	158.34	3.17	6.63	154.88
W. O. Smiley—Wm. and Francis Smiley .....	100.00	104.83	2.09	4.00	102.92
Hattie and Carrie Baxter .....	100.00	109.97	2.21	4.63	107.55
Parmelia C. Trefethen—Ephraim Trefethen lot .....	100.00	124.50	2.49	4.63	122.36
Ida E. Stevens .....	125.00	129.72	2.60	4.00	128.32
Mary A. Chase—Wm. and Mary A. Chase .....	100.00	106.07	2.13	4.00	104.20
Stuart, Chase and Sargent .....	150.00	154.72	3.10	4.00	153.82
Chas. A. Noyes—Chas. H. Noyes lot .....	75.00	75.68	1.51	2.00	75.19
Mason W. R. Downing—John Sargent and Ichabod Nichols lot .....	125.00	127.65	2.55	3.00	127.20
Wm. Gilday .....	200.00	200.03	4.02	4.05	200.00
Moses Stevens .....	100.00	105.55	2.11	4.63	103.03
Elizabeth M. Cooper—Jas. Cooper lot .....	100.00	102.25	2.05	3.00	101.30

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Amos Weed .....	100.00	108.24	2.17	3.50	106.91
E. Fannie Bradley—Daniel Bradley .....	100.00	108.63	2.17	1.00	109.80
Porter Sargent .....	150.00	151.55	3.04	3.00	151.59
Addie F. Sawyer—Chas. Sawyer lot.....	100.00	101.25	2.03	2.50	100.78
Mellville S. Gibbs .....	50.00	50.47	1.00	1.47	50.00
Arthur C. Sargent .....	100.00	108.57	2.17	3.50	107.24
Heirs of A. R. Kimball .....	100.00	101.20	2.03	3.00	100.23
Geo. E. Ricker—Capt. J. W. Sargent .....	100.00	100.97	2.01	2.50	100.48
Alfred G. Wells—R. K. Nichols, Patriquin and Wells ..	200.00	213.05	4.28	5.00	212.33
Stephen C. Parsons .....	200.00	233.32	4.68	4.63	233.37
Alfred H. Colby—A. M. Colby lot .....	100.00	101.39	2.03	3.00	100.42
Geo. S. Sargent .....	100.00	100.40	2.01	2.00	100.41
Frank Ward .....	200.00	233.64	4.68	5.63	232.69
R. W. Sargent and D. A. Moulton .....	100.00	107.12	2.15	4.00	105.27
Samuel C. Pease ..	150.00	151.51	3.04	4.00	150.55
Agnes F. Judkins—Geo. W. and Olive O. Judkins lot.....	150.00	165.40	3.32	6.25	162.47
Willard D. Sargent—Edward P. Sargent ..	200.00	258.19	5.18	5.00	258.37
Everett Carleton—Richard Stoyale lot .....	100.00	101.94	2.04	3.00	100.98
A. E. Porter—S. L. Porter and Mary Emery ..	150.00	170.06	3.41	4.63	168.84
Donald MacDiarmid .....	150.00	177.38	3.56	4.63	176.31
Wm. H. Young .....	100.00	101.37	2.03	2.50	100.90

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Mary A. Hoyt—Thos. Hoyt lot .....	200.00	210.49	4.22	4.00	210.71
Willard D. Sargent—Capt. Moses Sargent .....	100.00	104.69	2.09	3.00	103.78
Willard D. Sargent—Nicholas Sargent .....	100.00	101.62	2.03	3.50	100.15
Lilla P. Larraway—H. W. Larraway lot .....	100.00	105.00	2.11	3.00	104.11
Warren Wallace .....	100.00	127.34	2.55	3.00	126.89
Justin Clement .....	75.00	87.67	1.75	2.00	87.42
Emma P. Emerson—Alfred Chase lot .....	100.00	101.34	2.03	3.00	100.37
John W. Foster .....	150.00	162.79	3.26	5.25	160.80
John H. Cleary .....	100.00	104.67	2.09	3.50	103.26
M. A. Gassett .....	100.00	105.94	2.13	3.00	105.07
J. W. Johnson .....	100.00	101.15	2.03	2.50	100.68
Wm. Greeley .....	100.00	106.15	2.13	4.00	104.28
Moses S. Brown—Chas. E. Hoyt lot .....	100.00	100.10	2.01	2.11	100.00
Henry C. Fox .....	100.00	107.60	2.15	4.50	105.25
John B. Judkins .....	350.00	519.88	10.44	10.50	519.82
Geo. G. Larkin—Little, Larkin and Oliver Larkin lot .....	300.00	309.03	6.21	5.63	309.61
Addie Haley .....	100.00	100.91	2.01	2.00	100.92
Jacob F. Crosley .....	100.00	101.80	2.03	3.00	100.83
Willis H. Scott .....	75.00	83.74	1.67	3.63	81.78
Herbert F. Chase .....	100.00	101.46	2.03	2.50	100.99
Joseph H. Leavitt—Daniel Leavitt lot .....	100.00	110.72	2.21	4.13	108.80



## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Wm. Betts .....	150.00	161.53	3.24	4.00	160.77
Horace J. Batchelder .....	200.00	205.80	4.12	6.00	203.92
James D. Pike .....	100.00	106.83	2.13	4.50	104.46
Gustavus D. Veal—G. D. Veal and Geo. Grant lot .....	100.00	100.61	2.01	2.50	100.12
Edward G. Sherman .....	100.00	100.94	2.01	2.50	100.45
Charles E. Rothwell .....	150.00	151.47	3.03	4.00	150.50
Erastus Sargent .....	100.00	105.03	2.11	6.00	101.14
Mary E. Robinson ..	150.00	166.66	3.34	4.63	165.37
Chas. A. Wallace and Helen Chamberlain .....	100.00	100.54	2.01	2.50	100.05
Frank C. Williams .....	100.00	103.68	2.07	3.00	102.75
Mellville A. Cunningham .....	100.00	104.83	2.09	3.50	103.42
Daniel M. Means .....	100.00	101.16	2.03	3.19	100.00
Conrad Kippenberger .....	50.00	51.19	1.02	1.50	50.71
Judson S. Jewett .....	100.00	105.49	2.11	3.50	104.10
Herbert C. Oak .....	150.00	151.91	3.04	3.50	151.45
Walter L. Chaloner .....	200.00	203.47	4.08	4.00	203.55
Benjamin Rowell .....	50.00	70.69	1.41	.50	71.60
Moses Sawyer .....	50.00	66.49	1.33	2.00	65.82
Charles S. Lockwood .....	100.00	101.68	2.03	3.00	100.71
Fred B. Porter ..	100.00	104.39	2.09	3.00	103.48
Rufus H. Bennett .....	100.00	109.84	2.19	2.13	109.90



## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

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NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Thos. H. Hoyt .....	150.00	152.99	3.07	4.00	152.06
N. L. and Ella S. Howe .....	100.00	108.34	2.17	4.00	106.51
Edmund Ricker .....	100.00	101.14	2.03	3.00	100.17
Topan Sargent and Franklin Mason .....	100.00	103.45	2.07	3.50	102.02
Austin Sawyer .....	100.00	105.50	2.11	3.63	103.98
Geo. H. Tilton .....	100.00	108.83	2.17	3.00	108.00
Moses C. Flanders .....	50.00	53.45	1.06	.50	54.01
Fred W. Cate .....	100.00	101.17	2.03	3.00	100.20
Edward F. Goodwin and Thos. Goodwin .....	150.00	151.86	3.04	3.50	151.40
Mary A. Noyes .....	100.00	111.41	2.23	3.63	110.01
Clara Kendall .....	200.00	218.73	4.38	5.13	217.98
Daniel Gould .....	100.00	101.01	2.03	3.00	100.04
David Tewksbury and Thos. Merrill .....	150.00	153.09	3.07	3.00	153.16
Stephen Nichols .....	100.00	101.38	2.03	2.50	100.91
Betsy A. Veal .....	100.00	102.03	2.05	2.50	101.58
Frank Hargraves .....	100.00	101.26	2.03	3.00	100.29
John Logan .....	100.00	100.85	2.01	2.50	100.36
Charles Colman .....	100.00	102.61	2.05	3.00	101.66
Julia Whaland .....	150.00	161.15	3.23	4.13	160.25
Norman S. Cole .....	100.00	101.08	2.03	3.11	100.00
Mary Ordway .....	100.00	101.49	2.03	2.50	101.02

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
John T. Lovett .....	150.00	153.23	3.07	3.00	153.30
Wm H. Franklin .....	100.00	100.88	2.01	2.50	100.39
Helen G. Linden .....	100.00	100.93	2.01	2.50	100.44
Clifton B. Heath .....	150.00	155.45	3.12	4.00	154.57
Mary E. Sargent—Orlando Sargent .....	100.00	101.09	2.03	2.00	101.12
John K. Sargent .....	100.00	114.28	2.29	2.13	114.44
Mary H. Sargent—Hayden Sargent .....	100.00	101.14	2.03	2.50	100.67
Roswell J. Eaton .....	100.00	101.86	2.03	2.50	101.39
John E. Currier .....	150.00	157.93	3.16	4.00	157.09
John E. Currier—Joshua Currier .....	125.00	126.40	2.53	3.00	125.93
Single Graves (added in 1941—\$30.00) .....	90.00	90.04	2.16	2.20	120.00
Annie M. Sargent—John L. Sargent .....	125.00	129.36	2.59	3.00	128.95
Fred R. Weed .....	200.00	215.41	4.32	3.50	216.23
Mary J. Murphy—J. H. Murphy lot .....	100.00	101.13	2.03	3.00	100.16
Edward H. Preble .....	125.00	129.29	2.59	3.00	128.88
Edwin S. Lane .....	100.00	101.39	2.03	2.50	100.92
Eldridge D. Young .....	100.00	101.97	2.04	4.00	100.01
Harriet E. Storey—F. A. Sargent and Story lot .....	100.00	101.50	2.03	3.00	100.53
Mary E. Hoyt .....	150.00	154.74	3.10	3.50	154.34
Philip E. Quimy .....	100.00	102.71	2.05	2.50	102.26
Rebecca P. Little—Albert Sargent and Edmund Sargent lot .....	200.00	205.57	4.12	3.75	205.94

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Clarence T. Allison .....	100.00	101.54	2.03	2.50	101.07
Sarah B. Titcomb—Eva J. Titcomb.....	100.00	101.19	2.03	3.00	100.22
John Heald—Isaac Heald lot .....	200.00	215.63	4.32	3.63	216.32
Jennie Prescott—Geo. S. Prescott.....	100.00	100.58	2.01	2.59	100.00
Annie Tuttle—Amos Small—Lawson lot .....	100.00	108.49	2.17	1.00	109.66
Benjamin F. Sargent .....	300.00	317.90	6.38	5.13	319.15
Ralph H. Sargent .....	100.00	101.41	2.03	3.00	100.44
Fullington Ashley lot .....	100.00	101.11	2.03	2.50	100.64
Laura Patten—T. Hayden Patten ..	200.00	207.08	4.16	5.13	206.11
Geo. G. Crouse .....	100.00	101.09	2.03	2.50	100.62
Nellie M. Hall—Thos. Fraser lot .....	100.00	101.40	2.03	2.00	101.43
Lottie Hopkins—Nichols—Hopkins lot ..	100.00	101.47	2.03	3.00	100.50
Louise C. Brackett—Wm. C. Russell lot ..	100.00	101.11	2.03	2.50	100.64
Marion Armstrong—Armstrong and McInnis lot ..	400.00	406.10	8.16	8.50	405.76
Theodore L. Hayes .....	100.00	100.88	2.01	2.50	100.39
Frank M. Haynes .....	100.00	105.06	2.11	2.50	104.67
F. L. Parker .....	150.00	155.26	3.11	2.50	155.87
Dr. F. E. Sweetsir .....	350.00	352.87	7.08	8.00	351.95
William Pettigrew .....	100.00	109.87	2.19		112.06
Fred S. Hardwick .....	100.00	100.65	2.01	2.50	100.16
J. Melvin Clement .....	100.00	101.03	2.03	2.63	100.43

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawn	Dec. 31, 41 Balance
Edwin S. McKay .....	100.00	101.72	2.03	3.00	100.75
Henry A. Stickney .....	150.00	153.54	3.08	3.00	153.62
B. F. Hardwick .....	150.00	161.92	3.24		165.16
Emma L. Sargent—Orlando Sargent .....	150.00	153.22	3.07	3.00	153.29
Emma L. Sargent—O. F. Seavey lot .....	150.00	151.18	3.03	3.00	151.21
Elsie G. Mathews—Elmer Grant lot .....	200.00	205.76	4.12	3.00	206.88
Sarah A. Spiller—Frank Burnham lot .....	200.00	208.92	4.19	2.50	210.61
Lettie F. Whitney—Herbert Whitney lot .....	300.00	302.58	5.75	3.00	305.33
Fred W. Mathison .....	100.00	101.59	2.03	2.00	101.62
Minnie A. Chapman—Judson Webster lot .....	125.00	127.93	2.56	2.50	127.99
Frederick W. Carter .....	200.00	205.12	4.12	2.50	206.74
Ethel A. Goodwin—Chas. H. Goodwin lot .....	100.00	103.02	2.07		105.09
Lucy J. Bagley—Mrs. Clarence J. Bagley lot .....	100.00	103.02	2.07		105.09
Samuel W. Condon .....	150.00	154.94	3.10		158.04
Samuel L. Porter—Jos. W. Porter lot .....	150.00	152.44	3.05	3.00	152.49
Benjamin B. Wood .....	150.00	152.15	3.05	3.00	152.20
Mary Belle Brown .. .. .	100.00	100.79	2.01	2.50	100.30
Norman M. Hunter—Alfred Goodwin lot .....	200.00	203.30	4.08	2.50	204.88
Ida C. Tobey .....	100.00	101.72	2.03	.50	103.25
John E. Bean .....	75.00	75.88	1.51	2.00	75.39
Mary E. Tuxbury .....	150.00	151.77	3.04	3.00	151.81



CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Concluded)

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Maud G. Carter .....	100.00	100.80	2.01	2.00	100.81
George G. Patten—Hayden Patten lot.....	100.00	101.67	2.03		103.70
Frank Glines—Glines-Bartlett lot .....	150.00	150.63	3.02	2.00	151.65
Wm. Evans—Lucien Chapin lot .....	50.00	50.21	1.00	1.21	50.00
Wm. Dwyer .....	50.00	50.21	1.00	1.21	50.00
Delma M. Black—Adelena T. Jones lot .....	100.00	100.21	2.01	2.00	100.22
Ruth Hargraves .....	100.00	100.00	1.83	1.83	100.00
Jennie Chase—Moses Stevens lot .....	100.00	100.00	1.50		101.50
Richard Sargent .....	125.00	125.00	1.88		126.88
Richard E. Sargent—Edmund Fieldsend lot .....	100.00	100.00	1.50		101.50
ADDED SINCE DECEMBER 31, 1940					
Eva J. Grant .....	100.00		1.33		101.33
Clara Foster—John S. Foster lot .....	200.00		1.67		201.67
Jeannette E. Whittier—Wendell B. Whittier lot .....	150.00		1.25		151.25
Luther W. Bridges, Edgar C. Bridges and John Whitman .....	150.00		.75		150.75
William S. Tuckwell—Newton Tuckwell lot .....	50.00				50.00
William S. Tuckwell—S. S. Tuckwell lot .....	50.00				50.00
		\$27,334.37	\$550.81	\$667.44	\$27,947.74



KIMBALL PARK FUNDS

NAME	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawals	Balance Dec. 31, 41
Amos Weed .....	\$1,860.86	\$2,002.27	\$40.24	\$40.00	\$2,002.51
Judith Kimball .....	1,000.00	1,070.10	21.50	21.80	1,069.80
	\$2,860.86	\$3,072.37	\$61.74	\$61.80	\$3,072.31

PUBLIC LIBRARY

	Original Amount	Dec. 31, 40 Balance	Interest	With- drawn	Dec. 31, 41 Balance
James Whittier .....	\$487.07	\$620.76	\$12.46		\$633.22
D. J. Poore .....	500.00	589.61	11.84		601.45
A. E. Goodwin .....	200.00	241.83	4.85		246.68
Laura Patten .....	500.00	542.47	10.89		553.36
Thomas H. Hoyt .....		10,170.67	203.54	\$475.00	10,224.21
			325.00		
Balances shown in Merrimac Savings Bank Books.....		\$12,165.34	\$568.58	\$475.00	\$12,258.92
Haverhill Savings Bank T. H. Hoyt Fund .....		5,000.00	100.00	100.00	5,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank T. H. Hoyt Fund.....		7,500.00	225.00	225.00	7,500.00
		\$24,665.34	\$893.58	\$800.00	\$24,758.92

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Merrimac Savings Bank—Electric Light—Depreciation Fund	*\$951.99				\$17,393.40
Provident Institution—Electric Light—Depreciation Fund .....		\$16,117.46	\$323.95		2,880.18
Pentucket Savings Bank—Electric Light—Depreciation Fund .....		2,809.52	70.66		2,865.88
		2,809.42	56.46		
		\$21,736.40	\$451.07		\$23,139.46

\* Added since January 1, 1941.

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

ESSEX, ss.

To James P. Donahue, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in Sargent Hall in Merrimac on

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1942

at six o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To elect a Moderator for one year, Town Clerk for one year, three Selectmen for one year, three members of the Department of Public Welfare for one year, one Assessor for three years, Treasurer for one year, Collector of Taxes for one year, one member of the School Committee for three years, one Trustee of Cemeteries for three years, two Trustees of the Public Library for three years, one Trustee of the Public Library for one year, one Trustee of Kimball Park for three years, one Commissioner of Playground for five years, one Commissioner of Municipal Light for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years, three Constables for one year, three Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark for one year, and a Tree Warden for one year.

In voting under this article the Polls may be closed not earlier than four o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes.

Article 3. To determine what sum of money shall be raised to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the year 1942 and make appropriation for the same.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for the Maintenance of Road Ma-

chinery to keep road machinery in operation, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery account.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1943 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Co-ordinator (for the term of one year) of W.P.A. or other Federal or State Relief projects, who may be a member of the Board of Selectmen and to fix the amount of compensation to be paid therefor, and to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay for the same.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen for W.P.A. or other Federal or State Relief projects.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to fix the compensation of the members of the Merrimac Bureau of Old Age Assistance who may or may not be members of the Board of Public Welfare, said compensation to be paid from any available funds granted by the Federal Government for Administrative purposes.

Article 9. To see what action the Town will take to provide a list of candidates for the 1943 Citizens Caucus, whose nominees shall be placed on the ballot as candidates at the Annual Town Meeting of 1943.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) from the sale of Cemetery Lots, such sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "care, improvement and embellishment" of said Cemetery, ac-



according to Section 15 and Section 25 of Chapter 114 of the General Laws.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be placed at the disposal of the Playground Commission to be used at their discretion on the playground during the current year.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town fourteen days at least before the sale, property heretofore taken or which may be taken by the Town under Tax Title procedure, provided that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen or their authorized agent may at the time of such public auction reject any bid which they may deem inadequate, or may after such auction has been held sell such property provided that in their estimation an adequate offer may be made.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of oiling thickly settled streets or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars to be expended on highway work on thickly settled streets.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of seven thousand (\$7,000.00) dollars from the surplus revenue account to the estimated receipts for the year 1942 for the purpose of reducing the 1942 tax levy, subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation in accordance with Section 23, Chapter 59 of the General Laws, or take any action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars for



Board of Registrars Expense under Chapter 427 and Chapter 440 of the Acts and Resolves of the General Court for the year 1938, said appropriation being made for the year 1942.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for 1942, Chapter 90 (General Laws) new construction work for resurfacing Locust St., southerly from West Main St., the sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars (\$1500.00), said sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00) or any portion thereof to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County or both for this purpose; the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) or any portion thereof as a contribution from the State and the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (1,500.00) or any portion thereof as a contribution from the County being conditional on the amount appropriated for this purpose by the Town.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the improvement of Chapter 90 (General Laws) Road Maintenance work, said sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or any portion thereof to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County or both for this purpose.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for Public Library, said amount to be transferred from Fire Loss of Public Library.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for Town Fire Patrols.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to borrow on account of tax titles under Chapter 49, Acts of 1933, as amended, to be used to meet appropriations for the year 1942, the amount so voted to be applied by the Assessors for the purpose of 1942 tax reduction.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand nine hundred eleven dollars and sixty

four cents. (\$3,911.64) from the Electric Light Operating balance to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the year 1942.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to properly provide for the care and maintenance of such soldiers' and sailors' graves in Merrimac cemeteries as are not properly cared for and maintained by private persons, in accordance with Chapter 115, Sec. 22 of the General Laws.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three hundred sixty dollars (\$360.00) for the purchase of ladders for the Fire Department.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) for Booster Pumps for the Fire Department.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purchase of Hose for the Fire Department.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to be expended by the Merrimac Committee on Public Safety for purpose of civilian defense activities, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to purchase a casket placer for the Cemetery Department.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars for Water Maintenance, said sum to be transferred from the Light Maintenance account.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under article 1, of the special town meeting held July 29, 1941 whereby, Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) was to be

borrowed for the purchase of an engine and pump for the Water Department.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to be expended under the supervision of the Local Rationing Board.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient for the erection of a shed to be used by the Highway Department, or to take action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to regulate the use of the Town Hall for basketball purposes or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to make repairs and replacement of present windows, doors and frames, on westerly side of Town Hall, in offices used and now occupied by Police Department and Town Officers.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used under the supervision of the Selectmen for any necessary repairs to Tax Title Possessions.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to meet such legal expenses as may occur due to suits pending against the town, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby required to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in seven public places in said Town of Merrimac, at least seven days before said time of meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Merrimac this second day of February 1942.

RALPH L. BUZZELL,  
HAZEN M. EMERY,  
ARTHUR D. LOCKWOOD,

*Selectmen of Merrimac.*

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A true copy, attest.

JAMES P. DONAHUE,

*Constable.*

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By virtue of the above warrant to me directed, I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed.

JAMES P. DONAHUE,

*Constable.*

Merrimac, Mass., February 2, 1942.



**REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Town of Merrimac and the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Finance Committee recommend the following appropriations to be made for the year 1942:

Moderator .....		\$12.00
Selectmen, Chairman .....	\$450.00	
Selectmen, Clerk .....	125.00	
Selectmen, Other .....	100.00	
	<hr/>	675.00
Selectmen's Departmental Expenses .....		400.00
Public Welfare, Chairman .....	200.00	
Public Welfare, Clerk .....	200.00	
Public Welfare, Other .....	100.00	
	<hr/>	500.00
Town Accountant, Salary .....		1,560.00
Town Accountant, Expenses .....		125.00
Treasurer, Salary .....		450.00
Treasurer's Expense .....		800.00
Tax Collector, Salary .....		800.00
Tax Collector, Expense .....		600.00
Assessors, Chairman .....	275.00	
Assessors, Other Two .....	375.00	
	<hr/>	650.00
Assessors Expense .....		175.00
Town Clerk .....		225.00
Town Clerk, Expense .....		50.00
Registrars of Voters .....		112.50
Town Hall Maintenance:		
Janitor of Town Offices .....	240.00	
Maintenance .....	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	1,240.00
Town Hall Repairs .....		100.00
Bonding Town Officers .....		310.00



Election Officers .....	240.00
Police .....	3,900.00
Fire Engineers .....	375.00
Fire Department .....	3,500.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	100.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Expenses .....	30.00
Inspector of Wiring .....	90.00
Inspector of Wiring, Expenses .....	5.00
Dog Officer (to cover fees).....	100.00
Moth Department .....	1,025.00
Tree Warden .....	350.00
Town Forest .....	400.00
Forest Fire Warden .....	150.00
Board of Health .....	1,250.00
Public Health Nurse and Expense .....	1,200.00
Inspector of Animals .....	100.00
Inspector of Slaughtering .....	20.00
Inspector of Milk .....	20.00
Essex County T. B. Hospital .....	1,006.53
Highways and Chapter 81 .....	4,800.00
Snow and Washouts .....	2,000.00
Sidewalks, Railings and Bridges .....	100.00
Rocks Bridge .....	550.00
Street Lights .....	3,499.85
State Aid .....	120.00
Public Welfare .....	12,000.00
Soldiers Relief .....	3,600.00
Aid to Dependent Children .....	3,000.00
Old Age Assistance .....	37,000.00
School Committee, Chairman .....	50.00
School Committee, Clerk .....	75.00
School Committee, Other .....	50.00
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	175.00
School Department .....	28,800.00
Public Library .....	1,000.00
Memorial Day .....	150.00
Vocational Aid .....	300.00
Lighting Town Buildings .....	411.79
Insurance .....	2,300.00

Reserve Fund .....	500.00
Interest .....	500.00
Cemeteries .....	1,000.00
Vital Statistics .....	75.00
Water in Town Buildings .....	299.65
Printing Town Reports .....	275.00
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	\$125,102.32

JOHN K. SARGENT,  
WM. H. FRANKLIN,  
HARRY A. PEASE,  
HERMAN F. DAVIS,  
JAMES T. COLGAN,

*Merrimac Finance Committee.*

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## VOTE FOR OFFICERS, ANNUAL ELECTION

March 3, 1941

Votes Cast (546 Men, 521 Women), Total 1,067.

Moderator, for one year:

Clifford R. Howe, Forest Street .....	834
Blanks .....	233

Town Clerk, for one year:

C. Howard Phillips, Church Street .....	859
Blanks .....	208

Selectmen, for one year:

Ralph L. Buzzell, School Street .....	546
Hazen M. Emery, Judkins Court .....	510
Fred T. Hopkinson, Locust Street .....	365
Arthur D. Lockwood, Main Street .....	450
John K. Sargent, Merrimac Street .....	217
Frederick A. Small, Church Street .....	437
Blanks .....	676

## Board of Public Welfare, for one year:

Hazen M. Emery, Judkins Court .....	601
Fred T. Hopkinson, Locust Street .....	481
Andrew O. Nichol, Pleasant Street .....	203
John K. Sargent, Merrimac Street .....	352
Frederick A. Small, Church Street .....	429
Ellen M. Wallace, Central Street .....	445
Blanks .....	690

## Assessor, for three years:

George B. Crofut, East Main Street .....	867
Blanks .....	200

## Treasurer, for one year:

Roy C. Journeay, Prospect Street .....	874
Blanks .....	193

## Collector of Taxes, for one year:

Edgar J. Davis, Main Street .....	151
Fred C. Twombly, Grove Street .....	832
Blanks .....	84

## School Committee, for three years:

John H. Chipman, High Street .....	328
Howard L. DeLong, Pine Street .....	647
Blanks .....	92

## Trustee of Cemeteries, for three years:

Charles A. Lancaster, Locust Street .....	752
Cary A. Reynolds, Sawyer Street .....	182
Blanks .....	133

## Trustee of Kimball Park, for three years:

John W. Kirkpatrick, Main Street .....	774
Blanks .....	293

## Library Trustees, for three years:

Isaiah Chase, Main Street .....	543
Hortense A. Chipman, High Street .....	194

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Jennie M. Sargent, Bear Hill Road .....	232
Ethel B. Whiting, Church Street .....	680
Blanks .....	485

## Light Commissioner, for three years:

Dale W. Blackden, Sawyer Street .....	372
George F. Wilde, Woodland Street .....	586
Blanks .....	109

## Water Commissioner, for three years:

Dale W. Blackden, Sawyer Street .....	362
George F. Wilde, Woodland Street .....	582
Blanks .....	123

## Constables, for one year:

George R. Buzzell, School Street .....	778
James P. Donahue, Lincoln Street .....	764
Leon L. Dow, Mechanic Street .....	770
Blanks .....	889

Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark,  
for one year:

Ralph L. Buzzell, School Street .....	564
George R. Hoyt, Birch Meadow Road .....	684
Russell B. Kelly, Green Street .....	436
Edson C. Walker, Birch Meadow Road .....	694
Blanks .....	823

## Tree Warden, for one year:

Samuel C. Doust, Church Street .....	814
Blanks .....	253

## Playground Commission, for five years:

William H. Rafferty, Attitash Park .....	592
Cary A. Reynolds, Sawyer Street .....	321
Blanks .....	154





ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF MERRIMAC

1941





# SCHOOL REPORT

In accordance with custom and with the Acts of the General Court, 1859, Chapter 57, we herewith submit to you the seventy-second annual printed school report.

ANNIE L. TUCKER, *Chairman*  
 HOWARD L. DeLONG, *Secretary*  
 WILLARD T. KELLY,  
*School Committee.*

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Continued from Calendar in 1940 Report)

*All Dates Inclusive*

March 2, 1942 to April 24, 1942 .....	8 weeks
May 4, 1942 to June 12, 1942 (Port and Center).....	6 weeks
May 4, 1942 to graduation (High and Prospect) .....	7 weeks
Tuesday, June 16, 1942, Prospect Street School graduation.	
Thursday, June 18, 1942, High School graduation.	
Sept. 8, 1942—Registration Day for all entering pupils.	
Union Teachers' Meeting in afternoon.	
Sept. 9, 1942 to Dec. 18, 1942 (Port and Center).....	15 weeks
Sept. 9, 1942 to Dec. 23, 1942 (High and Prospect).....	16 weeks
Jan. 4, 1943 to Feb. 19, 1943.....	7 weeks

All schools will be closed on the following days: October 12, Columbus Day; November 6, Essex County Teachers' Convention; November 11, Armistice Day; November 26 and 27, Thanksgiving recess.

## NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

7:15 a. m. 11-11-long pause-1.	No school in grades only.
7:15 a.m. 11-11-11.	No school in all schools.
11:20 a.m. Same signals	One session.
12:30 p.m. Same signals	No school in afternoon.

## SCHOOL OFFICERS

John C. Page, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools

Address: West Newbury

Tel. W. N. 52

Margaret R. Sawyer, Secretary

Address: West Newbury

Alexander M. Sullivan, Supervisor of Attendance

Address: Locust Street

A. Frances Davis, M.D., School Physician

Address: 16 Main Street

Ramona H. Hewson, R. N., School Nurse

Address: Currier Avenue

Tel. 2155

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF — OCTOBER 1941

Position		Training	Total Years experience	Years in Merrimac
High School				
Prin., math., science.....	Chauncey D. MacKay	B.S.E., Boston University, 1924	17	13
English .....	Isaiah Chase	A.B. 1930, A.M. 1932, Harvard	7	6
French and Latin.....	Mary A. Cummings	A.B., Bates 1912	6	.3
History .....	Roberta C. Annon	B.S., University New Hampshire, 1931	10	10
Commercial .....	Angie A. Johnson	B.S. in Ed., Salem Teachers, 1940	.8	.8
Prospect Street School				
Prin., Grade 8 .....	Lennart A. Swenson	A.B., Boston University, 1938	1	1
Grade 7 .....	Vera Dealy Dewar	B.L.I., Emerson College, 1933	5	5
Centre School				
Prin., Grade 6 .....	Angeline C. Shaheen	North Adams Normal, 1926	12	1.5
Grade 5 .....	Marion E. Journeay	Portsmouth Training School, 1912	28	4
Grade 4 .....	Edith A. Gillen	Bridgewater Teachers, 1934	7	7
Grade 3 .....	Sarah B. Titcomb	Salem Normal, 1905	27.5	20
Grade 2 .....	Helen K. Manning	Bridgewater Normal, 1918	17	14.5
Grade 1 .....	Elaine W. Blackden	Aroostook State Normal, 1923	15	5
Merrimacport School				
Special Class .....	Howard G. Patchett	B.A., Union 1914; M.A., Clark 1926	19	10
Drawing Supervisor .....	Annie A. Kelly	Mass. School of Art, 1906	31.5	15
Music Supervisor .....	Doris C. Currier	Institute of Music Pedagogy	19.5	10



## BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The major maintenance item in 1941 was the installation of a new steam heating system at the Prospect Street School. A Weil-McLain No. 467 boiler feeds a 26-section radiator in each of the two classrooms and a 19-section radiator in each of the downstairs halls. A Furblo fan control air conditioner was installed for the hot air system, together with new ducts and front wall registers to replace the classroom floor register. The old-fashioned upstairs stove was of course removed. The new heating system was planned and installed by the William Franklin Corporation.

The fill at Prospect Street School grounds by the W.P.A. is appreciated by the school department.

The many minor maintenance items included the installation in the Centre School office room in February of the dental chair donated through the agency of the local P. T. A. (*see report under Health*), the light which was put in over the chair at the year-end, the individual pupil table-drawers which were built in February in the first grade room together with the rubber-tipping of the small chair legs, and the darkroom which was built during the summer in the basement at the Port School.

Early in the year the Centre School received the gift of a McPhail upright piano from Mrs. Polly Grant of Stoneham.

## AIR RAID DRILLS

Through the cooperation of Mr. C. L. Lockwood, Air Raid Warden, plans have been developed in all schools for air raid drills. The object of these drills is to prepare the pupils for organized dispersal in case of an actual air raid alarm. The keynote to the present plan is to locate not more than the equivalent of one class under any one roof, provided the warning signal indicates sufficient time for such dispersal. Shelter points, suitably located, have been offered by citizens and organizations. Children who live within a distance from the school approved as

a walking distance by the local air raid warden may be allowed to walk home. Any plan for air raid drill is subject to modification and improvement, as experience indicates.

The following excerpt is from a letter of December 23 to the superintendent of schools from Mr. Lockwood:

“Teachers may receive requests from parents: ‘Send my child home regardless of distance’ or ‘I’ll call in my car for my child’. The answer to that if persuasion fails is: ‘The wardens have ordered everyone off the streets. They have authority in raid to keep you, your car and your child off the streets. As a teacher it is out of my hands. You will have to see the Air Raid Wardens.’ ”

## ENROLLMENT

On the first of October the enrollment of the Merrimac public schools was 386, distributed as follows: At Centre 200, at Prospect Street 61, at Merrimacport (special) 21, at High School 104. Further distribution was: At Centre, Mrs. Blackden (Grade I) 36, Mrs. Manning (Grade II) 30, Miss Titcomb (Grade III) 31, Miss Gillen (Grade IV) 31, Mrs. Journeay (Grade V) 37, Mrs. Shaheen (Grade VI) 35. At Prospect Street, Mrs. Dewar (Grade VII) 32, Mr. Swenson (Grade VIII) 29. At High School (Grade IX) 29, (X) 22, (XI) 26, (XII) 25, (P.G.) 2.

## TEACHING STAFF

There was only one change in the teaching staff of Merrimac during 1941,—in the French-Latin position at the High School. On March 28 Miss Maolyn D. Osgood resigned, after two years and seven months. For the remaining three months of the school year Mrs. Mary A. Cummings substituted, and then was elected to the position for the school year beginning in September. Mrs. Cummings is a high school teacher of six years experience, most of which has been in teaching French and Latin. In each of these languages she has had seven years of preparation. She is a graduate of Bates College, with the bachelor’s degree, and has studied one summer at Simmons College and two summers at

Bates College. Recent French summer study at Bates has included a course in French Phonetics and another in Advanced French Composition, both in 1940 under Mme. Harriet Laurent, formerly of the University of Bruxelles, and, in 1941, "Explication de Textes", also under Mme. Laurent. Summer Latin courses in 1941 included "Teaching Cicero to High School Students" and "Teaching of Latin Poetry", both given by Dr. Charles J. Armstrong of Dartmouth.

### GENERAL SCHOOL NOTES

During the second week of January, 1941, the school work was interrupted badly by an epidemic of influenza.

On May 13, at Centre and Prospect Street Schools, the annual standardized tests were given, for indicating the achievement level in each subject in the various grades.

On Thursday, May 29, all Merrimac schools joined at Sargent Hall in Memorial Day exercises.

In the fall at High School, Prospect and Centre Schools branch school libraries have been established through Mr. Isaiah Chase and the cooperation of the trustees of the Merrimac Public Library. To this end locked cases with glass fronts have been built or improvised. It is hoped that these branch libraries with their seven-day-loan systems will do much to increase the amount of good reading among the pupils. In the Prospect and Centre Schools, books on the State Library Reading List will be featured.

At the request of the Commissioner of Education, each Merrimac pupil joined with others in the state to contribute one cent towards a Silver Service Set for the Battleship Massachusetts.

For the Red Cross course to be given at Sargent Hall, seven Merrimac teachers have registered, in order to be of service in case of actual raid casualties should occur among children.

In art, much was done in 1941 under Miss Kelly and the teachers to improve the wall pictures in order to make the classrooms more cheerful. At Prospect Street the pupils substituted



colorful pictures of artistic merit in the frames which were already in use. At both Prospect and Centre, pupils brought discarded donated frames. Pictures were painted by Lee Powers, Yvonne Metcalf, Dorothy Franklin, Donald Saulnier and others. Some pictures were from calendars and other sources. James Clark at the Port School framed some very attractive first grade pictures. Miss Kelly reports: "Craft classes at the High School made good use of scrap metal which was given by Mr. Ralph Condon. They made rings, pins and small articles, using practically every bit of metal. Owing to shortage of material, the students now use plastics and wood. A gratifying number of students are enrolled in the mechanical drawing class, for whom some excellent published textbooks have been provided. The Industrial Arts Class (Merrimacport) continues to improve and keep its interest in drawing which supplements its manual work."

The reports of Mr. C. D. MacKay, high school principal, and Mr. H. G. Patchett, special class teacher at the Port, are parts of this school report, on pages beyond.

### CENTRE SCHOOL

At the Centre School an out-of-door exchange schedule in physical education and athletics was a feature during the fall while weather and footing permitted. It is planned to continue the schedule in the spring. On Fridays the older boys were taken to the athletic field by Mrs. Journeay for volley ball, dodge ball, and free play, while the older girls were taken behind the school by Mrs. Shaheen for soft ball, marching, and general exercises. On Wednesdays younger boys were taken on one side of the school playground fence by Miss Titcomb for marching, games, and general exercises, while the younger girls were taken on the other side by Miss Gillen. The 1941 baseball team of the boys of the fifth and sixth grade ended the season undefeated. The staff was organized for general playground supervision during recess and noon hours, during good weather and footing.

On October 7, sixty fifth and sixth grade pupils attended the drama "The Adventures of Marco Polo", which was sponsored by the Haverhill P. T. A.

On Wednesday, October 8, at 3:30 p. m., at Spalding School, Salisbury, Miss Evelyn Shearer, Reading Consultant, discussed reading problems with elementary teachers of Merrimac and other towns of the district.

Holiday activities at Centre School included the decoration of 100 nut cups for the Veterans' Thanksgiving Dinner (sixth grade), the filling of 87 Junior American Red Cross Christmas boxes to be sent to Europe, appropriate decorations by each grade, and the itinerant singing of Christmas carols by grades five and six under the direction of Mrs. Currier and Mrs. Shaheen.

1941 found Centre School teachers enrolled 100% in the National Education Association, which met this year in Boston.

### PROSPECT STREET SCHOOL

On Tuesday evening, June 17, at Sargent Hall, a class of 28 pupils, consisting of 16 boys and 12 girls, graduated from the eighth grade, Prospect Street School. The highest scholastic honors went to Barbara Hall and the second highest to Anna Yurkovich. Other honor pupils were Margery Clark, Edward Denault, Olive Greeley, Maribelle Hartwell, Beulah Hutchins, and Pauline Vallieres. The commencement address was by the Reverend J. Kenneth Clinton of Rowley and the presentation of diplomas by Mr. Howard L. DeLong.

Departmentalization of subject matter continued, with Mr. Swenson teaching the social and natural sciences and Mrs. Dewar teaching English, literature, spelling, and mathematics. Several dramatic sketches as well as athletic and outing activities were features during the year. Dramatic sketches included (7th grade) "The Old Sleuth" on February 17, (8th grade) "The Americanization of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. C." on February 20, and (7th) "Too Old for Christmas" on December 23. The boys under Mr. Swenson played basketball, baseball and football games with teams from nearby communities and the girls under Mrs. Dewar played basketball with other teams, and softball. Outing activities included winter sports parties on February 4 and March 3, a ski party February 11, a bicycle club trip of May 20, and social and class trips. On June 6 the eighth grade took its



class trip to Boston, visiting the airport, museums, and places of historic interest. On Visiting Day, March 31, Mr. Swenson visited work similar to his in Ipswich, and Mrs. Dewar work similar to hers in Amesbury.

### TRANSPORTATION

On the first of October, 120 of the 386 Merrimac school pupils (or about 31%) were transported regularly by the Massachusetts Northeastern Transportation Company. This included 22 of the 104 High School pupils, 14 of the 61 Prospect Street pupils, 65 of the 200 Centre School pupils, and 19 of the 21 Port School pupils. From Birchmeadow there were 39, from Bear Hill and Lake Attitash 51, from the Port 30, and one on tickets.

### VOCATIONAL

In the fall of 1941 five Merrimac boys were in regular vocational schools which come under Chapter 74,—three in the Haverhill Trade School and two in the Essex County Agricultural School at Hathorne.

### HEALTH

On March 7, at Grange Hall, under the auspices of the Merrimac Parent Teachers Association and under the direction of Miss Roberta Annon a well-attended drama "Meet the Husband" was presented for the benefit of a Merrimac school dental clinic. The cast included Mr. Lennart Swenson, Miss Edith Gillen, Mrs. Henry Dewar, Mr. Isaiah Chase, Miss Maolyn Osgood, Miss Angie Johnson, and Mrs. Angeline Shaheen, i. e., seven members of the school staff, and Herbert Hargraves.

As director of the dental clinic, Dr. W. A. Cleary was elected, with Mrs. Clara T. Anderson as assisting nurse. The work was done in the chair installed in the office room at Centre School (see under Buildings and Grounds) at no cost to the school budget except for minor laundry bills. A report of the school dental clinic follows, and likewise a report of Mrs. Ramona H.

Hewson, R. N., the school nurse who was elected to start her work in September, following the June resignation of Mrs. Jean Badashaw.

### REPORT OF SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

The School Dental Clinic started functioning February 19, 1941 and was operated two mornings each week until the close of the school year, June 11, 1941, during which time the following work was done:

- 298 Examinations
- 28 Cleanings
- 95 Silver fillings
- 18 Cement fillings
- 12 Extractions
- 12 Certificates given to pupils having their dental work completed at the school clinic.

The following work was done from Sept. 10, 1941 to December 17, 1941.

- 230 Examinations
- 18 Cleanings
- 46 Silver fillings
- 18 Cement fillings
- 12 Extractions
- 25 Certificates given to pupils having their dental work completed at the school clinic.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. CLEARY, D. D. S.,

*Director of Dental Clinic.*

Per

CLARA T. ANDERSON,

*Dental Assistant.*

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Dr. John C. Page,  
 Superintendent of Schools.  
 Dear Sir:

My report is herewith submitted dating from September 1st to December 31st, 1941.

Number of school visits .....	50
Number of home visits .....	12
Number of children weighed and measured .....	388
Number of children examined by Dr. Davis (annual physical examination) nurse assisting (Sept. 1941)	384

As a result of these physical examinations the following defects were noted:—

Number of children with defective teeth.....	134
Number of children having poor posture.....	36
Number of children with defective tonsils and adenoids.....	146
Number of children with defective heart (slight).....	5

As a result of the vision testing the following defects were noted:

Number of children with defective vision .....	17
Number of corrections .....	7

Accompanied 3 school pupils to Haverhill for glasses.

Number of First Aid Treatments 63.

The Pre-School Clinic was held May 16th, 1941 at Dr. Davis' office with Mrs. Jean Badashaw assisting, 20 children were given the pre-school physical examination.

The clinic for giving Toxoids for the prevention of Diphtheria will be held at Centre School in the Spring.

Beginning February 1st 1942 I am to teach the Red Cross Home Nursing Course to the girls in the Senior Class at the High School.

In concluding my report I would like to express my thanks to Dr. Page, the teachers and members of the school committee for all their assistance and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAMONA H. HEWSON, R. N.,

*School Nurse.*

## REPORT OF MERRIMACPORT SCHOOL

Dr. John C. Page,  
Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Dr. Page:

Each year during the past three years which marks the beginning of the Special Class in Merrimac, our enrolment has increased steadily. In 1941 we reached the high peak of twenty-one pupils—all boys but two.

May 15, the P. T. A. held their monthly meeting at the Port School when an exhibition was held of handicraft work. Because of the difficulty of collecting and transporting there was no exhibition of handicraft work uptown as had been done in previous years.

About two weeks before the school closed for the summer recess, the pupils enjoyed an outing at Canobie Lake, New Hampshire.

Four of our boys, having reached the age of sixteen, and having completed satisfactorily eight years of school work were presented with certificates of merit.

We are endeavoring to make the school work, both from the academic, as well as, the manual side as practical as we can. The Academic work always receives first consideration; after which, we spend a part of each day in handicraft work. It is a pleasure to follow the progress that the pupils are making at the Port School.

I am much indebted to Dr. Page, and the Merrimac School Committee for their hearty co-operation in supplying us with whatever we have needed, and to Miss Kelley, Mrs Doris Currier, and Mrs. Shaheen, for their valuable suggestions and inspiration.

Very sincerely yours,

HOWARD G. PATCHETT.



## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To Dr. J. C. Page, Superintendent of Schools, and Members of the School Committee:

I submit herewith the annual report of the Merrimac High School for the year 1940-41.

The following table presents pertinent facts concerning enrollment by courses and by classes, as of October 1, 1941:

<i>Enrollment</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Col. Prep.</i>	<i>Sc. Prep.</i>	<i>Norm.</i>	<i>Com.</i>	<i>Total Girls</i>	<i>Total Boys</i>	<i>Stud- ents.</i>
Post Graduates								
Girls .....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Boys .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seniors								
Girls .....	8	4	0	0	6	18		
Boys .....	2	0	5	0	0		7	25
Juniors								
Girls .....	5	1	0	1	5	12		
Boys .....	7	1	6	0	0		14	26
Sophomores								
Girls .....	0	1	0	0	9	10		
Boys .....	7	1	3	0	1		12	22
Freshmen								
Girls .....	3	5	0	0	5	13		
Boys .....	2	2	7	0	5		16	29
	36	15	21	1	31	55	49	104

The drop in total enrollment from that of last year is partly explained by the increasing opportunities for employment which have tempted several students.

Without question, the paramount issue which has confronted the schools is that of preparing for total war in a thorough and



intelligent way. The high school has adopted a plan of action to be taken in the event of an air raid alarm. Immediately as the air raid signal sounds, students get their hats and coats and go to their home rooms. At a signal, less than a minute later, those living within six minutes walk of the high school, start for home. Boys acting as messengers and having bicycles at school, start for the control center. Those living outside a six-minute walking radius separate as follows: The Seniors go to the Parish House of the Church of Nativity with Mr. Isaiah Chase, the Juniors remain in the building with Miss Angie Johnson and Mrs. Mary Cummings, the Sophomores go to the home of Mrs. Edgar Tucker with Miss Roberta Annon, and the Freshmen go with Mr. C. D. MacKay to his home. The complete plan has been sent to Mr. Clement Lockwood, Chief Air Raid Warden, and has been approved by him. Students have been instructed as to what they are to do and where they are to go in the event the air raid signal is given, and there have been practice drills. The object has been to separate the students into as many small groups as is practical. We appreciate the cooperation of those who have so willingly helped by permitting the various groups of students to go to their homes and premises.

On the all clear signal, students are to return to the school, unless it is later than 1:45 P.M., the usual time of dismissal.

We are now offering a course in Everyday Law. In the re-organization of curricula, the introduction of this subject has been contemplated for some time. The subject is required of Commercial Students, and is optional or elective with others. The earlier introduction of Sociology, and now of Everyday Law, have together helped our Social Science Department to more nearly coincide with present trends in offering vital and practical subjects.

Office Training is being taught as part of Typewriting III. We believe that this will be of help to those who will need to know some of the usual duties of the office worker.

The class in Introductory Business is now being taught in the Commercial Department. This class had previously been

taught, as an extra subject, in the Social Science Department. In reorganizing the curricula, it has been possible to have this class taught by the proper department.

In the high school report for 1939, the statement was made that a study has been undertaken by the faculty with the view of reorganizing the high school curricula. Recommendations were made, and over the past two years many of these were put into effect as soon as was practical. We believe that we have greatly improved the effectiveness of the high school by these changes, consistent with modern trends. We expect to make recommendations for future reorganizations as changes in our society make these changes advisable.

Mrs. Doris Currier has offered a course, to be given one period a week, in Music Appreciation. A number of students who have no conflict with another subject at the time the Music Appreciation Course is offered, have expressed deep interest.

Mrs. Ramona Hewson, School Nurse, is expecting to organize a course on Red Cross Home Nursing work for the high school girls of the Senior class. During these times especially, the extreme practicability of such a course is obvious. Mrs. Hewson is to be complimented upon her willingness to plan and to teach this work so vital to both the individual and to our society.

There have been a number of students in the high school who have, during the past few years, been earning a maximum of six dollars a month for work done under the auspices of the National Youth Administration. Early in September, announcements have been made concerning this opportunity for aid to students who require financial help while attending high school. The student who applies for this work, must fill out an application, supplying data concerning age, family income etc. During the past school year, allotments of funds have been decreased and it is becoming increasingly questionable whether this financial aid will in the future be maintained as generously as it has been in the past.

It has been and is, impractical to report in detail the many and varied extra-curricular activities carried on in the high school.

Club activities, assembly programs, play, entertainments, and dances have been conducted as occasion demanded, or as custom dictated. The Merrimac Valley W.P.A. Band has given a number of concerts which were greatly enjoyed. It has been possible to obtain at no cost, a number of outstanding speakers, and sound motion pictures for assembly programs. The three-act play "Stephen Foster" coached by Mr. Iaaiah Chase with music under the direction of Mrs. Doris Currier, was given on March 28, 1941 for the benefit of the Athletic Association. Mrs. Mary Cummings coached the Senior Play, "Three Little Maids", given November 28, 1941.

The Journal is being lithographed instead of being printed on the mimeograph, as it has been for the past several years. The lithograph work is much neater and although we are financially unable to have the paper published as often as in the past, we feel that for the present the change is a successful one.

The winners of the essay contest sponsored by the Womens' Auxiliary of the American Legion on the subject, "Selective Service; Its Effect on Youth" were as follows:

First: Marcia Wilde

Second: Raymond Anderson

Honorable Mention: John McMahon

Marcia Wilde also won the County Contest. Reed Manning won first prize for the best essay on the Holyoke Hi-Y Conference. The contest was sponsored by the Essex County Committee of the Y. M. C. A., and was open to any boy in Essex County, who attended the three-day conference. Carleton Emery was elected president of the Essex County Hi-Y Conference for 1942.

There were twenty-one members of the class of 1941. The class parts were won as follows: Valedictory, Clinton Piper; Salutatory, Reed Manning; Class History, Judith Connor; Class Will, John McMahon; Class Prophecy, Dorothy Flynn; Class Gifts, Frances Weeks; Class Poem, Virginia Peaslee.



Clinton Piper won a scholarship to the College of Liberal Arts of Boston University. Other Members of the Class of 1941, who are continuing their education are:

Raymond Anderson, Haverhill Trade School

Judith Connor, Training for Nursing, Clinton Hospital,  
Clinton, Mass.

Pearl Godin, P. G. at Merrimac High

Reed Manning, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine

John McMahon, St. Anselm's, Manchester, N. H.

Adelaide Merritt, Gordon College, Boston, Mass.

Frances Weeks, P. G. at Merrimac High

Kenneth MacDonald, Serving in U. S. Marines

Eleanor Chase who was a P. G. in 1941 has entered Gordon College.

There is a recommendation which seems most advisable.

We are financially unable to carry on the athletics and physical education in the way we should. Besides Soccer, Boys' and Girls' Basketball, and Baseball, the girls have adopted Softball as a spring sport. Necessary equipment and transportation create a demand for funds much in excess of the money collected from gate receipts or earned. Most of the students in high schools pay fifty cents a year to help support athletics. We run an annual play to earn money for the same purpose. The only sport from which we derive revenue is that of Basketball. When a dozen baseballs cost \$10.00, and we need at least two dozen for a season; a dozen bats cost \$18.00; and there are new uniforms to be bought, old ones to be cleaned, soccer balls, basketballs, softballs, many and varied kinds of equipment for the various teams that ought to be replaced each year, together with the cost of properly transporting the teams to out-of-town games, under present conditions, we are unable to adequately meet the expenses of athletic program. It was necessary for us to have new backboards for Basketball. Even though we had them made locally, and several boys of the high school did a considerable amount of work helping to make and put up the supports, the cost of this work will necessitate curtailing on other phases of our athletic

expenses which means we shall have to do without equipment or service which we ought to have.

I therefore recommend that a sufficient sum be appropriated for athletic expenditures. This sum to be in addition to regular school appropriation.

Dr. Page as well as the School Committee have been extremely cooperative and helpful. It has been a pleasure to work with them.

Respectfully yours,

CHAUNCEY D. MacKAY,

*Principal.*

### MERRIMAC HIGH SCHOOL

#### Class of 1941

<i>Name</i>	<i>Course</i>
Hollis Melvin Allen.....	General
Raymond Evans Anderson.....	General
Bernard Berry Burbeck.....	General
Wentworth Allen Clark .....	General
Judith Elaine Connor .....	Normal
Donna Louise Darbe .....	Commercial
Dorothy Elizabeth Flynn.....	Normal
Mary Agnes Fortin.....	General
Gertrude Pearl Godin.....	Commercial
Herbert Jasper Hargraves.....	General
Sadie Pearl Hargraves.....	Normal
Donald Evan Harvey .....	General
Clifford R. Howe, Jr. ....	Scientific Preparatory
Kenneth A. Macdonald.....	General
Vincent Reed Manning .....	Scientific Preparatory
John S. A. McMahon .....	General
Adelaide Beatrice Merritt .....	General
Virginia Hamer Peaslee .....	Commercial
Clinton Albert Piper .....	College Preparatory
James Richard Thomas .....	Scientific Preparatory
Frances Angela Weeks .....	Normal



## Class 1941

*Special Awards at Graduation*

Balfour Award—	Clinton Albert Piper
Washington and Franklin Medal—(tie)	Raymond Anderson
	John A. McMahon
D. A. R. Good Citizenship Pin and Award—	
	Frances Angela Weeks
Special Citizenship Award—	Vincent Reed Manning
Special Reader's Digest Award—	Clinton Albert Piper

## MERRIMAC HIGH SCHOOL

1940 - 41

## HIGH HONOR

(Names arranged alphabetically)

Ralph Condon, Jr. '44	Reed Manning '41
Richard Harrison '43	Clinton Piper '41
Hilda Lowd '42	Geraldine Powers '44
Chauncey MacKay, Jr. '43	Natalie Whiting '42
Jean Manning '43	Marcia Wilde '42

## HONOR

(Names arranged alphabetically)

Shirley Bailey '43	Eleanor DeLong '42
Eleanor Brown '43	Ruth Franklin '42
Winifred Buzzell '42	Constance Gleed '44
Harriett Child '43	Frederick Noone '44
Marjorie Comley '43	Dorothy Schiavoni '44
Judith Connor '41	Gwynn Sweeney '44
Alice Crosby '42	Barbara Watson '44

*Boys Awarded Letters in Basketball*

Carleton Emery, Captain	Gerald Hargraves
Raymond Anderson	Reed Manning
Norman Bishop	Clinton Piper
Donald Harvey	Herbert Hargraves, Manager

*Boys Awarded Letters in Baseball*

Kenneth MacDonald, Captain	Carleton Emery
Hollis Allen	Elmer Grant
Raymond Anderson	Gerald Hargraves
Norman Bishop	Richard Harrison
Walter Dion	Carmen Pesce
Dudley Ellenwood	Herbert Hargraves, Manager

*Girls Awarded Letters in Basketball*

Frances Weeks, Captain

Alice Crosby	Adelaide Merritt
Donna Darbe	Marcia Wilde
Eleanor DeLong	Judith Connor, Manager
Pearl Hargraves	Dorothy Flynn, Manager

*Girls Awarded Letters in Softball*

Judith Connor, Captain	Jean Manning
Ruth Barry	Adelaide Merritt
Marjorie Comley	Virginia Peaslee
Donna Darbe	Geraldine Powers
Eleanor DeLong	Edith Skinner
Mary Fortin	Frances Weeks
Pearl Hargraves	Anna Smith, Manager

*Boys Awarded Letters in Soccer*

Gerald Hargraves, Captain	Chauncey MacKay, Jr.
Martin Anderson	Frederick Noone
Paul Denault	Carmen Pesce
Walter Dion	Fred Spencer
Dudley Ellenwood	Roland Spinney
Carleton Emery	Gwynn Sweeney
James Gile	Vernon Connor, Manager

The following were awarded Journal Pins in recognition of faithful service on the Journal Staff during 1940-41.

Nancy Clark	Eleanor DeLong
Alice Crosby	Althea Dill

Donna Darbe	Reed Manning
Carleton Emery	Virginia Peaslee
Ruth Franklin	Dorothy Schiavoni
Perley Hargraves, Jr.	Mary Smith
Kenneth MacDonald	Natalie Whiting
Marcia Wilde	

The following students were awarded, for the highest average in each subject, and for the greatest improvement, a certificate suitable for framing.

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Highest Average for Year</i>	<i>Greatest Improvement</i>
English 1	Ralph Condon	Jean Foisy
English 2	Shirley York	Carmen Pesce
English 3	Marcia Wilde	
English 4	Clinton Piper	
General Science	Ralph Condon	Arthur Eaton
Biology	Geraldine Powers	Walter Dion
Stenography 1	Eleanor DeLong	Helen Sloban
Stenography 2	Eva Heath	Virginia Peaslee
Typewriting 1	Natalie Whiting	Catherine Hutchins
Typewriting 2	Alice Crosby	Judy Raymond
Typewriting 3	John A. McMahon	Virginia Peaslee
Bookkeeping 1	Eleanor Brown	Sybil Raymond
Bookkeeping 2	Winifred Buzzell	Helen Sloban
Algebra 1	Geraldine Powers	
Geometry	Richard Harrison	John Mader
Chemistry	Reed Manning	Bernard Burbeck
Solid Geometry	Clinton Piper	
Trigonometry	Clinton Piper	Judith Connor
French 1	Jean Manning	
French 2	Marcia Wilde	
French 3	Reed Manning	
Latin 1	Geraldine Powers	
Latin 2	Marjorie Comley	
Ancient History	Ralph Condon	
Modern History	Richard Harrison	
American History	Marcia Wilde	
Introductory Business	Constance Gleed	
Sociology	Dorothy Schiavoni	
	Nancy Clark (Tied)	
Civics and Economics	Judith Connor	

## GRADUATES OF EIGHTH GRADE, 1941

John Melvin Allen, J. Fred Anderson, Geraldine Bishop, Kenneth E. Blackden, Lois Jean Carden, \*Margery Temple Clark, Thurstin Edward Collins, Albert Chester Comley, Joyce Martin Connor, Normand Page Connor, Carl Anthony Deminie, Clifton Lloyd Demeritt, \*Edward Joseph Denault, Irma Capen Doyle, Robert Joseph Dwyer, John Herbert Eaton, \*Olive Elizabeth Greeley, \*Barbara Jane Hall, \*Maribelle Evelyn Hartwell, Barbara Elaine Heath, \*Beulah Ruth Hutchins, Edward Phillip Mader, George Francis O'Keefe, Robert Joseph Saulnier, Gordon A. Spinney, \*Pauline Arrita Vallieres, Stanley Francis Williams, \*Anna Yurkovich.

\*Honor pupil.

## SPECIAL CLASS GRADUATES, 1941

James Richard Clark  
Albert William Franklin

Phillip Norman Darbe  
William Daniel O'Keefe

## ATTENDANCE HONOR ROLL

*High School:* \*Raymond Anderson, †Alice Crosby, Eleanor De-Long, ‡Jean Manning, ‡Frederick Noone, Wilbur Wallace.

*Prospect Street School:* John Allen, John F. Anderson, Mildred Forsyth, Dorothy Franklin, Olive Greeley, \*Edward Denault.

*Centre School:* Grade 6—Barbara Bishop, Barbara Greeley, Evelyn Nichol, William Pendleton; Grade 5—Arlene Brady, Elvira Pendleton, Eleanor Craig; Grade 4—Florence Allen, Pearl Fitzgerald; Grade 3—Arthur Bisson, Shirley Craig, Edwin Noone, Marion O'Brien, Russell O'Brien; Grade 2—William Franklin, Charles Bisson; Grade 1—Richard Noone.

*Merrimacport School:* James Clark.

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\* Not absent for 2 years, Sept. 1939 to June 1941.

† Not absent for 5 years, Sept. 1936 to June 1941.

‡ Not absent for 7 years, Sept. 1934 to June 1941.



## 1941 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Regular school appropriation .....	\$28,500.00	
Special repairs at Prospect Street School....	1,000.00	
Refunded dog tax .....	150.24	
Returned check .....	28.66	
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Total available for schools.....	\$29,678.90	
Total expenditures .....	29,674.01	
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Balance .....	\$	4.89

*Reimbursements*

Supt. Schools .....	\$483.34	
General School Fund, Part I .....	4,532.50	
General School Fund, Part II .....	3,583.30	
Tuition and Transportation State		
Wards .....	284.90	
Tuition local high school .....	78.00	
All other .....	6.63	
	\$8,968.67	
Total expenditures .....	\$29,674.01	
Total reimbursements .....	8,968.67	
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Total expended from local taxation, 1941.....	\$20,705.34	

*Summary of Expenses**General Control*

School committee expenses .....	\$ 30.81	
Supt. Schools, salary .....	850.00	
Secretary's salary .....	262.50	
Office supplies and travel expenses.....	219.06	
Law enforcement .....	216.36	
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		\$1,578.73

*Cost of Instruction*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$17,555.19
Substitutes .....	118.50

Supervisors' salaries .....	800.00	
Text books .....	690.35	
Supplies .....	1,368.97	
	<hr/>	\$20,533.01

*Cost of Operation*

Janitors' salaries .....	\$1,570.00	
Fuel .....	1,494.90	
Janitors' supplies, cleaning, etc. ....	147.98	
	<hr/>	\$3,212.88
Maintenance .....	1,645.33	
Libraries .....	73.84	
Health .....	316.32	
Transportation .....	2,088.75	
Equipment .....	162.44	
Miscellaneous .....	62.71	
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Total .....		\$29,674.01

## 1942 FINANCIAL ESTIMATES

*General Control*

School Committee expenses .....	\$ 25.00	
Supt. Schools' salary .....	850.00	
Secretary's salary .....	262.50	
Office supplies and travel expenses....	225.00	
Law enforcement .....	105.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,467.50

*Cost of Instruction:*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$17,700.00	
Substitutes .....	150.00	
Supervisors' salaries .....	800.00	
Text books .....	650.00	
Supplies .....	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$20,300.00

*Cost of Operation*

Janitors' salaries .....	\$1,550.00	
Fuel .....	1,500.00	
Janitors' supplies, cleaning, etc. ....	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,250.00
High School Athletics .....		200.00
Maintenance .....		850.00
Libraries .....		50.00
Health .....		425.00
Transportation .....		2,055.00
Equipment .....		150.00
Miscellaneous .....		52.50
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Total .....		\$28,800.00

*Estimated 1942 Reimbursements:*

Supt. Schools .....	\$ 483.33	
General School Fund, Part I .....	4,170.00	
General School Fund, Part II .....	3,829.51	
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Total estimated expenses for 1942.....		\$28,800.00
Total estimated reimbursements for 1942.....		8,482.84
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Estimated total from local taxation in 1942.....		\$20,317.16

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